

Sees Congress Critical Of New Plan For Middle East

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It already is obvious that a great many questions will have to be answered before Congress approves the Eisenhower-Dulles plan for the Middle East.
Following as it does upon the heels of a great United Nations success in meeting one crisis, many of the questions will spring from increased confidence in that process as opposed to unilateral action.
Others will involve what procedures the administration has in mind to implement the broad general policy of presenting Russia with direct military, political and economic opposition in the area.
The chief military feature of the plan is a request to make sure Russia makes no fatal miscalculation regarding the possibility of getting away with armed intervention in the explosive situation.
What would happen, however, if the deterrent didn't work and Russia encouraged Syria to attack

Iraq or take over Jordan, and then moved her own troops into Iran to "protect" Iran and herself from the neighboring fighting?
ANOTHER KOREA?
Do the military experts think another Korean situation would be produced? That the United States could fight from Iraq and perhaps Israel? Or would such a move be regarded from the first as the beginning of a big-power war, involving massive retaliation, which is a euphemism for atomic war?
In any move of the proposed kind, the extreme possible result must be considered.
Obviously thinking on such points will not jell until the impending debate has taken place.
If it be assumed, however, as diplomats do generally assume, that Russian efforts to penetrate the Middle East will stop short of any clear risk of war, what form can the diplomatic and economic resistance take?
This is not the first time the United States has offered to give the Middle East the economic

stability behind which natural anti-Communist tendencies, such as nationalism and religion, can be organized.
The Arabs turned it down cold after the creation of Israel. Since then, every Western attempt in Syria and Egypt has either been turned down or used, as in the case of the Aswan Dam project, in an attempt to play off Russia against the West.
SEE ONE SOLUTION
Can the United States develop a program in which this will not be repeated?
One hope for it lies in the recent U. S. demonstration that it will not support military power as a part of the politics of even its best friends, but that demonstration has been sufficient to establish full confidence that its use of military power as a background for its own politics is designed only for the common good?
Without that particular confidence, nothing that the U. S. attempts in the Middle East could be successful.

Riots Mark New Year In Several European Cities

LONDON (CP)—Wild New Year's Eve celebrations got out of hand in several European cities early Tuesday with riots and brawls as over-enthusiastic revelers welcomed 1957 with a bang.
The worst spot was Stockholm, Sweden, where screaming teenagers fought a running battle with police and turned New Year's revels into a raging riot. Several persons were hurt. Police made 90 arrests.
The rioters took over the city's downtown streets, molested passersby, broke store windows and attacked cars and taxis. Police used drawn sabres and horse-whips to break up the mobs.
A policeman trying to stop teenagers molesting pedestrians had his uniform ripped off. The rioting youths tried to rip up church tombstones and in one area they threw firecrackers and burning gasoline from bridges onto crowds in streets below. Stockholm Police Commissioner Goesta Dahlstrom said the riots were "the acts of absolute gangsters."
In Berlin, a home-made bomb let off by an 18-year-old youth had too much of a bang. It broke 200 windows. Police reported there were 79 brawls, 48 persons were injured and 64 drunks were picked up.
PARIS DRIVERS CUT UP
Paris police temporarily forgot their duty as motorists defied the no automobile horn blowing law by cutting loose at midnight. Hundreds of revelers wearing colored paper hats warmed their hands at street cafes and in the gayest spot was the Chelsea Arts Ball where thousands of fancy-dressed couples danced until 5 a. m.
Scotland was the scene of the biggest celebrations in Britain as Scots followed the traditional custom of "flirt footing"—being the first in the New Year to cross the threshold of homes of friends and relatives bearing gifts for good luck. City squares were packed at midnight as everyone linked arms to sing "Auld Lang Syne."
RAIN HITS CANNES
Heavy rain drenched the fireworks which were to have welcomed 1957 in Cannes on the French Riviera. They fizzled out. Russians, who celebrate New Year's as the big holiday instead of Christmas, ushered in 1957 at gay house parties around decorated fir trees, the Soviet news agency Tass reported. It said that parties were also held in workers clubs and Palace of Culture in Moscow.
Most Western ambassadors boycotted the Kremlin's New Year's Eve party, but no diplomatic breach was involved.
The party traditionally is considered a private Communist affair. A year ago, in the glow of the Geneva spirit, the Russians invited Western envoys and all turned out to toast the New Year.
Last week the Soviet foreign office, apparently appreciating Egyptian events, took the unusual step of telephoning the various Western embassies before sending out printed invitations. Most of the chiefs of mission expressed regrets and claimed prior engagements.
Two persons were killed and scores were injured throughout Italy as fireworks, crockery and bottles whizzed through the air. More than 50 persons were taken to hospital in Rome and 35 in Naples. One exuberant man arrested in Rome for firing a sub-machine gun into the air.
VIENNA DANCE OFF
In Vienna, Austria, the customary open-air dancing in St. Stephen's Square was called off because of the tragedy of Hungary.
In Copenhagen, Denmark, and Oslo, Norway, no serious casualties or accidents were reported and the New Year's celebrations were some of the quietest in years.
Many Britons woke up not only with the usual hangovers but also the realization that prices of bus and subway fares had gone up along with charges for telephone calls. Some food prices welcomed

the year with an increase.
In Times Square, New York's traditional gathering spot for welcoming the New Year, a police estimated crowd of 450,000 jammed into the area to herald the arrival of 1957.
New York night clubs reported a brisk business. In Washington, D. C., night spot managers noted a smaller turnout.
At Hollywood, a Texas oil millionaire tossed a party that cost \$125,000. David (Tex) Feldman, 40, gave the party to prove, he said, that Texans aren't boisterous as the movie The Giant had depicted them.

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS AND NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS
Gift buying now is a TWO-WAY TRAFFIC! It was fun the other day to watch folks coming into stores with boxes in gay Christmas wrappings under their arms. For weeks one's eyes had become accustomed to seeing people walk out of stores thus laden. Obviously some of the boxes that had been taken out were now being carried in!
I followed one woman up the stairs of a large department store. Here is a typical scene:
Woman standing at counter, fingering large Christmas box. She smiles at clerk. Clerk smiles back and deftly opens box.
Clerk: "You wish to return this?" holding a beruffled negligee.
Woman: "Well, you see. I really haven't much use for such a fancy . . ."
Clerk: "I understand. Would you like to exchange this for something else?"
Woman: "Well — right now, I can't think of anything I need . . ."
Clerk: "That's quite all right. Please take this slip. The cashier will give you the money. Thank you."
I could hardly believe my eyes or my ears! True, had heard, had read that gift exchanges were not only allowed but even encouraged, but such generosity — no questions asked — cash returned! Most stores, I found, gave credit slips — but even these could be used anywhere in the store — at any time. The Customer is always right indeed — How much righter can he get?
I thought of back to the Good Old Days when only a bold spirit dared to exchange an article! And not for something else altogether different, but for the same thing in another size — or — in rare cases, another color. How timidly one approached the unsmiling clerk — how carefully she (or he) examined the merchandise — for finger marks, to see that the price tag was unremoved. To see that the article was not crumpled! And finally, the goods — and you — were above suspicion, begrudgingly you were allowed to exchange it. If the article in your size (or color) was "out of stock" then you were really up against it. Willy, nilly, right there and then, you had to buy something else in that department that cost the same as the article in question! No wonder folks kept what they bought — or received!
NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS
Did you make any New Year's resolutions? Or do you share the opinion so tersely expressed by one gentleman I questioned? "Why make 'em?" he asked. "You only break 'em!"
Not necessarily. No statistics are available but probably countless New Year's Resolutions are made — and a great many are kept. The secret lies in not attempting to remake your entire personality — all by yourself, in one year. Be content to drop one undesirable habit — a habit that is not woven into the very pattern of your life.
"Here's where I stop smoking," says Mr. A. throwing away his half-smoked cigarette while the New Year's bells ring out. And we know he keeps this resolution. He has other sources of comfort and relaxation.
"No more gambling for me," says Mr. B. and he too sticks to

Soviet And American Armaments Compared

Editor's Note: U. S. military experts concede that Russia has more and is building big bombers faster than is the U. S. How do the two countries compare as to nuclear weapons, submarines, guided missiles and in overall fighting strength? Here are the latest available statistics.
By ELTON FAY
WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States is vastly stronger in firepower, in the means of delivering it on an enemy and in defensive works than it was when the Korean war ended. But so is Russia.
Over-all, Russia probably is still behind. But some high-ranking American officials estimate the Soviets are closing the gap rapidly. U. S. military strength is oriented to airpower and nuclear weapons. Today more than half of the military budget appropriated by congress goes to air power for the air force and the navy. This does not include billions more for Atomic Energy Commission work.
At present, the U. S. and Russia place primary reliance for long-range delivery on big bombers—the U. S. Air Force B-52, the Soviet's Bison and Bear designs.
The Boeing-built B-52, an eight-jet plane, can carry over 10 tons of bomb load. Its speed is about 650 miles an hour. Its range is about 6,000 miles. The air force demonstrated recently that the B-52 can fly at least 16,000 miles using aerial refueling techniques.
HAVE MORE BOMBERS
Gen. Curtis E. Lemay, chief of the Strategic Air Command, says the Red air force's Bison "is comparable to our B-52." The Bison, the B-52, is a jet plane. The Bison is a "turbo-prop." Gas turbines are used to drive propellers instead of using the actual jet thrust. A turbo-prop is slower than a jet, but of longer range.
Lemay, in his appearance before the Symington Committee of the Senate last spring, said that "we believe they (the Russians) have more Bisons and Bears in their inventory than we have B-52s."
He also said that it was not planned to increase the B-52 production rate.
Russia's progress in bomber development has imposed problems for U. S. interceptor plane designers. The new "century series" of fighters—the F-100s through F-104s—now are either in the hands of fighter units or in production. To deal with a Bison, an interceptor must be able to work efficiently at altitudes of more than 50,000 feet and to fly at super-

Queues Feature Hungarian Scene

BUDAPEST (AP)—You can find food in Budapest today—if you can find time to line up and buy it.
"We used to have office hours from 9 to 5," a government worker said. "Now we get off at 2 p. m. to line up and buy food. By 4 the food shops have closed their doors, usually in the faces of people who have been waiting an hour."
But for the present, the backbone of fighter defence is the F-100, far slower than the F-104. Coming into use are air-launched anti-aircraft guided missiles. These include the Hughes CAR-1 Falcon, carried in quantity aboard an interceptor plane, launched automatically by an electronic system.
The air force also is pushing development of the Bomarc missile—a long-range, pilotless interceptor that will carry its own smaller guided missiles.
For defence closer in, there are surface anti-aircraft missiles like the army's Nike and the navy's Terrier.
HAS LARGEST NAVY
U. S. naval power today is greater than the power of all other navies of the world combined. This is true in tonnage of ships, in firepower and in the number of ships commissioned or in reserve.
Russia's major challenge to this supremacy has been in submarines. Numerically, the Soviet navy probably has more submarines than the United States. Many of them are of modern, snorkel design and some probably are equipped for guided missile launching.
On the other hand, the United States navy claims to have made strides in anti-submarine warfare. This includes not only improved submarine detection equipment, but such things as atomic depth charges and atomic warheads for torpedoes.
Russia is believed to have no aircraft carriers in her navy. The United States has a fleet of United States Navy carriers, the newest of the American carriers are the 60,000-ton Forrestal class ships.
In ground forces, the United States trails Russia.
Russia is believed to have a total of 175 army divisions, not including masses of trained reservists. The United States has 19 divisions of regular army troops, plus National Guard divisions and some reserve organizations.
The United States aims at offsetting the numerical disadvantage in ground forces with firepower, especially atomic firepower.

French Vinyards Now Being Operated By U. S. Businessmen

By PRESTO GROVER
BORDEAUX, France (AP)—Americans have moved in on the French wine business, and some French like it and some don't.
The making of wine for many Frenchmen is a loving process, almost sacred. To have a band of commercial-minded Americans get into the business shakes them.
Most active of the Americans is Alexis Lichine of New York who has bought two "chateaux" with vineyards around them.
During the peak of the grape harvest, this correspondent came down here from Paris to see what the Americans were doing. They are making wine just the way Frenchmen make it.
Wine harvesting is a pretty sight. Men, women and children wander among the vines, picking the deep purple bunches, which are transferred to a cart carrying two or three huge barrels. The driver of the cart stands in the barrel mashing down the grapes.
WEAR BOOTS
It isn't true—at least not any more—that the boys and girls mash them barefooted. I visited several chateaux, the men who mash the grapes wear rubber boots.
The carts haul the grapes to a central shed where the real wine making begins. Here is where tradition begins to take hold. I don't know—nor could I find out—why it matters just how the grapes are stripped off the bunches. But there are masses of opinion.
At Chateau Lascombes the grapes are stripped off with a mechanical device which is adjusted carefully to pick the grapes and break them open without cracking the seeds. Broken seeds would add bitterness and too much tannin to the wine.
The decision was made, he says, because in the months after the surrender everything was chaos. The people were confused.
"The people thought the emperor was divine and believed the myth that no nation could defeat the land he ruled," Maeda recounts.

the most Americanized ideas. A big billboard along the road testifies to his ownership of Chateau Lascombes.
Aside from being a wine expert, Lichine also is pretty much a salesman. Some of the "first families of Bordeaux" find this a bit grating, even though they are pleased that Lichine is trying to build up American taste for good wines by advertising and articles in magazines.

NEGRO HOME BOMBED
BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP)—The home of a negro family which moved into a white neighborhood and ignored a warning fiery cross was damaged by a bomb explosion Monday night. Police said Arthur Lee Flowers, 12, suffered a cut hand. The blast blew out a wall of the house.

Trans-Canada Highway Work Will Be Even Faster In 1957

OTTAWA (CP)—Trans-Canada Highway construction hit a record pace in 1956 and a still-faster rate is forecast for next year.
Works Minister Winters, in a review of the progress of the 4,500-mile road begun six years ago, said Friday more money was spent on it and more mileage was built in 1956 than in any previous year.
A total of 356 miles was paved and 341 miles graded and total commitment for 1956 was about \$82,000,000. Of this the federal share was about \$50,000,000, including payment of 90 per cent of the cost of some vital links as provided in a new agreement signed with the participating provinces this year.
Approximately 2,700 miles of the 4,480-mile highway now are paved, including 1,536 miles to the 24-foot-wide blacktop standard laid down in the highway agreements. The rest was laid previously. While perhaps a bit under standard, it has been accepted as part of the highway to speed completion.
PREPARE SCHEDULES
Mr. Winters said the participating provinces—all except Quebec which has never entered the agreement — are preparing "realistic" construction schedules. He predicted a great increase in the rate of construction in the next few years.
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St. Andrews Pres. Special Services
Large congregations attended the Christmas services in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Montague, on December 23rd, which were conducted by the minister, Rev. D. A. Campbell. In the morning the music was led by the Junior choir, under the direction of Mrs. Elsie Watterworth.
The Senior Choir led the service of praise in the evening under the direction of the church organist, Mrs. A. F. Campbell. Vocal solo "O Holy Night" was beautifully rendered by Mrs. Rachel Minchin. Two Christmas carols, "Come All Ye Shepherds" and "Joseph, Dear Joseph" and the anthem "Star of the East" were sung by the choir. Inspiring sermons on the Christmas story were delivered by Rev. D. A. Campbell.

Brother Of Iona Man Dies In Sask.
Word has been received by James Daley, Iona, that his brother, Dr. Arthur P. Daley, of Roddison, Sask., passed away in the Saskatoon Hospital on December 31st. His wife is the former Catherine Lannan of Montague.

PERSONALS

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Jap Emperor Renounced His Divinity 1946

TOKYO (AP)—Emperor Hirohito himself helped draft the imperial rescript which 10 years ago renounced his "divinity," a Japanese weekly magazine says.
The hitherto unknown story is told by one of Japan's outstanding educationists. 72-year-old Tamon Maeda, in Shukan Tokyo, a weekly published by the newspaper Tokyo Shimbun.
The emperor on Jan. 1, 1946 disclaimed "divinity" and debunked "the mythological divine existence of the imperial house of Japan." The imperial renunciation—often called Emperor Hirohito's "human declaration" put an end to the legend which provided a foundation for Japanese militarism and ultra-nationalism.
Japan's new constitution was dictated by Gen. Douglas MacArthur, the supreme commander. Maeda says Emperor Hirohito's declaration was Japanese — inspired.

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