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## Eisenhower: The Coin Of The Future

MR. EISENHOWER'S fourth State of the Union message was short on detailed proposals to Congress. These will come later in separate messages on specific issues. But the President was rather more on eloquence and fervor than in past messages.

And if these qualities match a new spirit in the President, a new vision through the dusty cyclones of incredibly confused current history, they may in the long run overshadow a new round of congressional wrestling with dog-eared domestic problems.

The President admirably defined the moment and the place at which the nation and the world stands. To know where one is is the first need of a man or a nation, to know where to go and how to get there, through the succeeding needs. The President answered the first two questions wisely and concisely.

He said to Congress:

You meet in a season of stress that is testing the fitness of political systems and the validity of philosophies. Each stress stems in part from causes peculiar to itself. But every stress is a reflection of a universal phenomenon.

In the world today, the surging and understandable tide of nationalism is marked by widespread revulsion and revolt against tyranny, injustice, inequality and poverty. As individuals, joined in a common hunger for freedom, men and women and even children pit their spirit against guns and tanks. On a larger scale, in an ever more persistent search for the self-respect of authentic sovereignty and the economic base on which national independence must rest, peoples sever old ties, seek new alliances, experiment—sometimes dangerously—in their struggle to satisfy these human aspirations.

Particularly in the past year, this tide has changed the pattern of attitudes and thinking among millions. The changes already accrued forswore a world transformed by the spirit of freedom. This is no faint and pious hope. The forces now at work in the minds and hearts of men will not be spent through many years. In the main, today's expressions of nationalism are in spirit, echoes of a deep and long struggle for independence. This republic cannot be aloof to these events heralding a new epoch in the affairs of mankind.

There it was again, the old challenge

presented by the old problems. The only difference—in the speech—was an uncommon clarity and the ring of newly-minted emphasis.

But there are vast differences in the nation and in the world from the time the President last staked out the State of the Union. Slowly for a long time and then suddenly at Suez almost the total burden for world leadership fell or was pulled onto the shoulders of the U. S.

The conflict between the necessities of friendship to the old Western colonialists and the new Eastern nationalists has been honed to an even sharper point. New centers of power have come into being as the capacities of Britain and France have withered. Stalinism has been exhumed. The invention of weapons has reached a more macabre stage. The knowing how to go toward peace and freedom is a larger and larger question.

The changes promise no relaxation for the U. S. They require, instead, larger efforts to control "the new epoch," and to direct it toward freedom. The challenge is unique, but so is this nation. Happily the President's message suggests that he already is taking a more aggressive stance of leadership in his second term. The times require this, too. The intense fluidity of changes demand the utmost of his large capacity for leadership.

He is handicapped by knowledge in both parties that this is his last term. What this loses him in powers of patronage and political rewards, he must make up by force of his personality and his capacity to inspire support among the people at home and the masses abroad.

Certainly the President is more popular in both places than has been the conduct of his foreign policy by Messrs. Dulles and Herbert Hoover Jr. The President is now the most commanding figure in the world. What he does during the next four years will count for more than what Congress does, although congressional aid, to be sure, is essential. He has set his course. But it is in the coin of his personal advocacy, so brilliantly show-cased in his State of the Union message, that the really decisive factors of the next four years lie.

## Behind The White Cliffs, A New Hope

UNTIL the passions of mankind can be cooled by reason or by love, they must be chained by fear, and there is no other way."

These were the words of Harold Macmillan in 1955 when he announced his support of the Churchill government's decision to build an H-bomb.

Today, as Sir Anthony Eden's successor, he must be acutely aware of the limitations of his rhetoric. He must know that neither fear nor love nor reason are quite as important in 1957 as re-establishing a working partnership with the United States. The abstract must yield, for the moment, to the practical.

The new Prime Minister represents a new name to many Americans and a new hope to most Britons. He comes to power without many of the handicaps that have dogged Eden. The changes cannot help but improve chances for a general healing of the breach that appeared in Anglo-American relations following the Suez debacle.

Furthermore, Mr. Macmillan has what the British like to describe cheerfully as "an American connection." His mother is the former Helen Belles of Spencer, Ind. During World War II he served as a trouble shooter for his friend, Winston Churchill in North Africa. There he met and befriended an American lieutenant general named Dwight D. Eisenhower. The friendship has survived the hardships of the times. When he succeeded Eden as Britain's foreign minister in 1955 he remarked that his relations with the ex-general in the White House would undoubtedly be pleasant. "We

have been through it all before," said he.

Mr. Macmillan is no mossback. Politically, he has a rebellious past. During the depression, he attacked his own Conservative Party's muddled economics with deadly effectiveness. In fact, he once referred to the whole government bench as "a row of disused slag heaps." The Tories, he said, were "dominated by second-class brewers and commodity speculators."

Mr. Macmillan vigorously protested the Baldwin appeasement of Italy during the Ethiopian war and he chose the role of parliamentary independent two years before Eden's better-remembered withdrawal from the Chamberlain cabinet in 1938.

He subsequently served in both the Churchill and Eden governments. When Churchill was driven from office in 1945 he held an important part in modernizing the Conservative Party's outdated doctrines.

Like Churchill, he is the master of the hyperbolic phrase. He once needed to tell the Labour Party leadership "busily: 'The brave new world has turned into nothing but a fish-and-Cripps age.' Such remarks have not particularly endeared him to the Labour opposition.

The days ahead will require less of the need for and more of the sturdy political morality, creative leadership and hospitality to new ideas that first brought him to prominence in Tory ranks. If the Western Alliance is to remain strong, it will require fresh appreciation of its value and a fresh approach to its problems.

## The Bomber And A Peak Of Punditry

NEW YORK'S "mad bomber" has had a few words to say about himself in a reputedly authentic letter to the New York Journal-American.

"What he had to say—My one consolation is that I can strike back, even from the grave"—is distinctly not comforting to the city where he is blamed for planting 32 bombs in 16 years.

But it's refreshing, at least, to hear the explosive nut talking about himself. Since he started leaving lethal surprises in unexpected places, psychologists and psychiatrists have reached a new peak of punditry in explaining all about the

motivations of a man they have never had on their couches.

Copyrighted accounts of his id and ego have blossomed profusely. Where one held that the size of the bombs would increase with his madness, another said the size of the headlines he attracted was the bomber's real interest.

"This nut did not have to be present to be analyzed," approach has all been very interesting, but not enlightening.

Somehow all the teachings of Freud, Jung and Adler have not availed anybody, not one.

"Which way did he go?"

## From The New Orleans States

TIPS FOR LADIES

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from smoldering bricks.'"

"And we're left wondering why madly, having gone mad just because we had an empty and the darn things in the metal kitchen garbage container and then run some water through them, eliminating both the hazard and the mess?"

# Combine The City And County Governments

**People's Platform**

Charlotte  
 Editors, The News:

AS A perimeter taxpayer with three young children I am very much interested in the present situation the annexation proposal, and any other problem that affects the progress of our community.

With my admittedly limited knowledge it appears that we are not taking the logical approach to a long-term solution of any of our problems. We do a juggling act with bonds from city to county, delay construction of perimeter schools until we can find out whether they will be under city or county jurisdiction, plan to take into the city for tax purposes a much larger area than the city can furnish with equitable services, and generally confuse any long-range planning because of one major obstacle—the overlapping between city and county responsibility and authority.

Why in the name of common sense don't we combine the two governments, set taxes according to the services provided, and toward real local economy and efficiency in our local government? If there is a valid argument against this proposal, I would like to hear it. I would also like to know how this matter can be brought to the vote of the people.

—MRS. T. H. POWER

## Elect A City Council Of Caliber Of Brown

Charlotte  
 Editors, The News:

IN connection with the grade crossing complaints and the adoption of Frank Miller's plans, such traffic control as might be put on the east side of Charlotte would be moved to the west side so as to create a further congestion of all traffic. This movement was proposed, as I see it, by Mr. Victor Shaw and several others that were in the City Hall in 1949. With no other engineer capable of doing the job, Frank Miller of Greenstone was the only suitable man of the engineering family to do the job. So the mayor of City Council fell in line for the adoption of the Miller plan, for the spending of millions of the taxpayers' money.

The grade crossings have been there for more than 50 years and are here for many more, so far as I can see. But the taxpayers will be digging for years to come and the Southern Railroad Co., the big taxpayer, has to pay two ways and won't know what is next when they find a delegation to the City Council that is of the same choosing as the one Mr. Shaw had when he was the mayor of Charlotte.

The job we have before the people in May 1957, is the election of men who have the views as Mr. Herman A. Brown, now on the Council. We need four or five councilmen that can and will take a look at the past and the present and will look ahead. We do not need Council members who look at dollars as they were dime. Look at the smoke engineer, now rated as the snog man. The diesel smoke goes up, with the fumes and comes down when you least expect and there is nothing you can do about it, but out goes the dollar dime. This smoke bill should never have been.

## U. N. Proper Agent For Oil Protection

Charlotte  
 Editors, The News:

WE NOW have the picture of national politics before our eyes.

Congress is in session, and the President is, consonant with the situation, impelled to state in at least an understanding manner, the administration's proposal as to the policy of the United States as set forth by the President and his advisors relative to that part of the world known and referred to as the Near East.

We have just been facing a crisis at the Suez Canal involving Egypt, Israel, France and England concerning operation of that canal. In this matter the administration at Washington recognized the sovereignty of Egypt and supported the policy of referring the situation to the United Nations.

Now a new policy is proposed. The United States is to



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give the president of the United States carte blanche or unlimited authority, to contribute millions of our money to them and to use the armed forces of the United States at any point, or in any situation, that he deems advantageous to his interests.

That is a contradiction of our previous policy.

How comes that we support the United Nations in one national crisis and substitute the policy and power, even to military force, of the United States alone in another, thereby repudiating the United States goal that it be that it is because there is no oil in the Suez Canal? Then the President's policy becomes the policy of big oil locally. And the whole thing is simple and is reduced to the question of the future ownership and use of the oil of these small and helpless nations by us or Russia. Here we have a contest for the world's biggest supply of oil.

If Russia gets this oil we would fear her more in war. If the United States gets it, we would fear Russia less. So, besides there are many fortunes buried in the oil of the Near East.

And again I would like to ask you now has title to these oil lands in the Near East interests are being projected by the administration policy? The sovereignty of the United States must be respected and respectfully we must respect the sovereignty of other nations just as we did Egypt. That is the law, the law of the world. Therefore in good faith the United Nations would appear to be the agent properly to enforce international good faith. For, in view of history, the United States to take this matter into its own hands will in the end result in a reaction just like English and French colonialism.

We cannot consistently recognize sovereignty in the case of the Near East and support the United Nations therein and repudiate the United Nations and national sovereignty in other nations which are rich in oil.

## States Have Right To Be Left Alone

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 Editors, The News:

CONGRESS has been asked by the administration to examine before by authority to use American armed force in the Middle East to block Communist intentions, as well as Korea.

We remember that during the speaking tours of the presidential candidates that the American people were promised that our armed forces would never be used as they were in Korea to stop other nation's wars.

## Col. Nasser Stirring Like To Wrath

WASHINGTON

In a recent White House staff meeting President Eisenhower blistered Gamal Abdel Nasser of Egypt as if he were the No. 1 irritant of American foreign policy.

Mr. Nasser's behavior in Israel couldn't have been more critical.

Eisenhower complained that the United States had saved Nasser's neck, now he was swaggering and blustering as if he had won the war single-handed.

## Stall On Pledge

Reason for the presidential wrath was Nasser's stalling on his pledge to reopen the Suez Canal. At that particular time he was refusing to let British and French salvage crews operate. Later he held up the departure of 13 imprisoned ships, then announced that no British-French ships could use the canal except under certain conditions, also announced ships would have to pay tolls direct to Egypt.

## Big Loan

The Cairo radio is of course the official mouthpiece of Col. Nasser's government. This statement was made at the very time Secretary Dulles was talking about a whopping loan to Nasser for the Aswan dam. It was also at the same time the United States was sending arms and foreign aid to Nasser.

we do we will have lost that which our state and federal constitutions guarantees every citizen — freedom of choice to live or not live as we may choose as a free people.

—J. A. GRAHAM

## An All-American City Expresses Its Thanks

Laurinburg  
 Editors, The News:

I TUNTY to thank you personally and on behalf of all the citizens of Laurinburg for the splendid operation that you and your paper have given us on the occasion of our having been selected an All-American City.

All of us here certainly appreciate the splendid coverage that you have given us on this story.

## U. S. Needs To Kneel In Prayer For Peace

Charlotte  
 Editors, The News:

ALL OVER the world there is trouble — disaster, great fire, disease and crime, the threat of war, hatred, misery and murder. And with all of his culture, education and training, man is not able to cope with the situation.

All kinds of man-made remedies are being tried and most of them have failed, but there is a sure remedy that God has given us. In His word, the Bible, in 2nd Chronicles 7:14, we have the answer to all of the world's problems. "If my people which are called by my name shall humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and heal their land."

When Peter and John were in prison, their church was on its knees in prayer and they prayed the prison doors open. In this modern age, a real good prayer meeting where people get on their knees and pray and confess their sins, is hard to find.

What I would like to know is who had the Negro start in the direction he has started in the South? I assure you it was not a friend to the white or colored citizens of the South. Who started this trouble between the races of our nation? Some will say the whites, some the Negro. Yet can they prove their statements to be correct and true?

We might have to change our way of life from the way we wish to live it. But we warn them when

that God is a jealous God, and He is a wrathful God, and it says that God is angry with the wicked every day.

—PARS A. YANDLE

## Faith In God Vital To Nation

Charlotte  
 Editors, The News:

FOUR years ago, President Eisenhower led the nation in prayer just before he delivered his inaugural address. It was a tremendously impressive moment. Nothing like that had ever been done before in our history. Christians throughout our country were grateful to have a President who would practice his deep sense of dependence upon God by praying to Him in public, and who began his administration that way.

The will of the people determine the moral and religious character of government. But the sad part is we don't have enough people in our nation today who are interested in having a public praying President. There are millions who either ignore, or reject, or despise the historic Christian faith which was so vital to the founding of our nation. The gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ means nothing to them, and they see no need for its influence upon society. They want nothing but material and temporal security, and they want officials who promise them the most along that line.

Can we return to the old Christian gospel and be saved from our sins or will we continue down the road of modern unbelief and sighing the doom of other nations who have forsaken God?

—WARREN W. WOODS

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## 'I Don't Have To Show The State Of My Union, Do I?'



W. H. WAINMAN

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Eisenhower's private grip at Nasser