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Eden Weathers Storm Of Protest In Divided Kingdom

By MARQUIS CHILDS

LONDON—If the surface of this divided country is again calm, so also is the demeanor of the principal figure in the controversy.

A fierce storm, as fierce as any in Britain's recent history, has broken about the slender, handsome figure of Sir Anthony Eden, and yet as he talks in his clipped British speech, slouched down in a chair on the end of his spine, there is the old debonair Eden or reasonable facade of that Eden.

He has cause to be more confident today. Two weeks ago when the Suez storm was at its height the likelihood was that he would be driven out of office. Junior ministers were resigning and reports persisted of a deep split in the Cabinet. Forty thousand persons protested in Trafalgar Square in a mood of anger and indignation rare with a people who have learned to live with restraint on their crowded little island.

RANKS CLOSE

The principal figures in Eden's cabinet have joined ranks in his defense. And the latest Gallup Poll shows an extraordinary rise from his low of Nov. 2 when 46 per cent of the voters said they disagreed with the way he handled the Middle East situation to the newest tally showing 53 per cent approve while 37 per cent are in general satisfied with Eden as Prime Minister.

The stiffening of opinion for Eden—created in 12 months—represents a man in the street reaction that for too long all and sundry have felt they could twist the British lion's tail with impunity. "Well, maybe he's taught 'em out that they can't go on pushing us around forever," says the cockney barrowman.

DULLES BLAMED

British forces were pushed out of the Suez Canal Zone two years ago and here a lot of the blame is put on Secretary of State John Foster Dulles for persuading Eden to "approve" Egypt's President Gamal Abdel Nasser. The British feel they were pushed around on Cyprus by Greek re-

ulls wage world wars, that all over the world it has been the same story since 1945 and now maybe Eden's put a stop to it. But in the case of the fighting in Egypt in large part, it is said here, because of America's almost a panic insistence that otherwise Russia would launch atomic war against Western Europe. The United Nations force is moving fast and a tenuous kind of stability seems to be achieved.

FIRST STEP

This is, however, only the first tentative step on the long road back. For Eden, that road is full of pitfalls, real and potential.

Eden's political enemies—and they include not only the Laborites but many Conservatives and those who consider themselves Liberals or Independents—are saying that the facts about the collision between Britain, France and Israel in the attack which started with the Israeli advance into the Sinai Peninsula are bound to come out.

Here one gets into the realm of sensational rumor and the cops and robbers game of international intrigue. This reporter has been told by an official close to the events that American intelligence agents have documents that passed between Paris and Tel Aviv showing how the attack was concerted.

EMPHATIC DENIAL

These are said to contain the confident prediction that Britain would join in once the decisive moment came. This is emphatically denied by every level of the government in London and no one alleges that British documents are involved.

Eden has said that Israel was bound to fight, whether before or after the British-French invasion was launched, and the letter, in the justification repeated again and again, was made inevitable by the advances of Soviet Russian plans for a takeover in the Middle East. Unfortunately for world opinion, this

justification came long after the event.

While Eden's embittered opponents believe the exposure of the collusion plot will bring him down, the economic consequences of the closing of the canal with the greatly increased drain on this country's dollar and gold reserves to pay for costly American oil may have more deeply felt political consequences.

GAS RATIONING

Private motorists are able to buy only a gallon or two of gasoline at a time.

Some unemployment has already resulted from the growing shortage of oil. But the major effects, touching the average citizen who had begun to think that normalcy had at last been established, are still ahead.

The division over the Egyptian attack has been so deep because

of a variety of reasons related to British character and the British past. Idealism has been an important component of the national character through all the long, confident years. And there has always been an important segment of opinion to demand justice for this or that downtrodden people and independence for oppressed nations, even when the British were the oppressors.

SENSE OF OUTRAGE

Strong and articulate support has backed the United Nations in England. At one stroke the Conservative government seemed to defy this long tradition and mock the U.N. The sense of outrage of the Liberal conscience was expressed in indignation by Hugh Gaitskell, leader of the Labor party.

DEEP WOUND

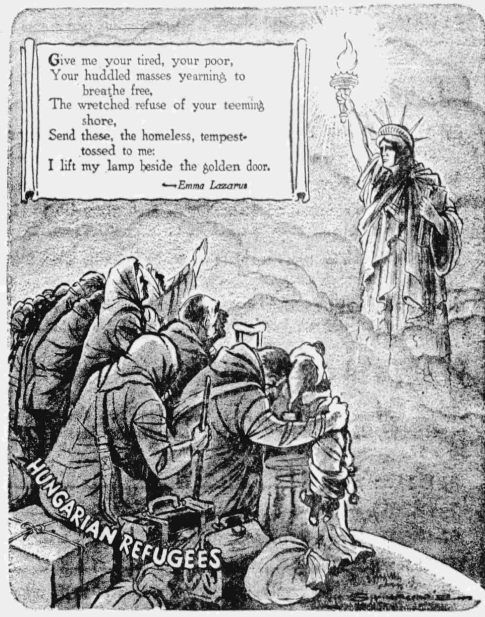
The cautious people in his own party are now saying that he went too far so that he sounded, in his righteous anger, almost anti-British at a moment when Britain stood virtually alone and in dubious battle.

"The worst two weeks of my life," sadly said one of Britain's great military figures, now retired and covered with honors. And he was speaking not of the failure to go through with the attack but of the attack itself and the way it cut across so much that had been pledged and promised. This is a deep wound which will not soon be healed.

Thanksgiving, 1956

Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore,
Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed to me:
I lift my lamp beside the golden door.

—Emma Lazarus



Suez Forecast

NEW YORK—The situation in Egypt is still in a state of crisis and there is as yet no present prospect of a settlement of the larger issues. The immediate business at hand is to get enough of a truce to keep the conflicts at the canal and over Israel from expanding and exploding. Keeping our fingers crossed, it looks as this is written that the diplomatic action of the U.N., which is being conducted by Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, has made progress.

For one thing the great open and large Soviet military intervention has, it would appear, passed. This has been followed by another threat which is very serious indeed. It is that Egypt, with Russian prompting and backing, will think good policy to let the reopening of the canal be delayed for a long time, long enough to bring about an oil shortage not only in Britain and France but in the rest of Western Europe. If Col. Nasser can stand the squeeze on his own revenues from the loss of the canal tolls, he has in his hands a most powerful instrument for squeezing the whole Western world. There have been many signs, it seems to me, that this is in his mind.

GOOD NEWS
It is now reported that Col. Nasser has reached some kind of understanding with Mr. Hammarskjöld about allowing the U.N.

A Glimmer In The Darkness

By WALTER LIPPMANN

to participate in the clearing of the canal. This is very good news if it can be taken to mean that Egypt will cooperate actively in the enormous task of opening the canal. For without Egyptian cooperation, the clearing of the canal will not be resumed.

As soon as the basic operation has been started—the U.N. coming in and the British, French and Israelis going out—Washington should take in hand the problem of the threatened oil shortage in Western Europe. This problem can be solved, though it will take effort and money, and no time should be lost in making it plain to the world that we mean to see that the problem is solved. This is something about which the President can speak in plain and unflinching words.

DEPENDENCE

He ought not, it seems to me, to stop with an emergency program to deal with the shutting off of shipments through the canal and through some of the pipelines. This whole unhappy affair has taught us that the Western nations are dependent to an unnatural degree upon an area of the world where their enemies are stronger than their friends.

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Vote Of Thanks

Yesterday, the day before Thanksgiving, the first collection of clothing was loaded into the Church World Service van for immediate shipment to Hungary.

Since the laundry and dry cleaning industry is one of the busiest in Washington, it deserves a special vote of thanks for taking time out to help the struggling people of a country which so badly needs help.

Modern Republican

The White House has already begun strengthening and rebuilding the Republican Party along the modern lines President Eisenhower indicated on election night. That end, he has picked a live young lawyer, Elliot Richardson of Boston, to be assistant secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare.

People's Platform Give Thanks To God

Charlotte

Editors, The News:
I THE Thanksgiving season, the words of the Psalmist comes to us again and again. In spite of all the hatred and strife, confusion and turmoil that reigns throughout the world, we know that God and his laborers together with Him, we can say, "O give thanks unto the Lord." As the stress and turmoil of the world increase in such great intensity, we are sure that we must go forth with even greater zeal in spreading the glorious Gospel for whatever is done must be done soon for the coming of the Prince of Peace draweth nigh.

The true Thanksgiving day proclaimed first by William Bradford, governor of Plymouth Colony, in 1621 was more than a feast and today Thanksgiving should be an occasion for religious dedication. Everyone should read the eighth chapter of Deuteronomy, which speaks of the richness and beauty of a God-given land, then counsels, "When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the Lord thy God for the good land which he hath given thee." Simple, direct and honest words and what a truth they contain!

—WARREN W. WOODS

Can Rocket Travel At Speed Of Light?

Charlotte

Editors, The News:
IN your newspaper dated Nov. 6, 1956, I read of Navy scientist Robert Leon Carroll's revolutionary theory that a new type of super atomic energy can be released by making atoms extremely cold instead of hot. I have no argument with this part of his theory, which I like.

However, I wish to challenge the paragraph which says: "If the 'cold' nuclear power which he envisions is available, Carroll said, 'the velocity of light can be exceeded by a rocket.'"

I believe that no rocket can

ever travel at the velocity of light and still preserve its physical form. To travel at this velocity, it has to disintegrate into rays which travel at the velocity of light. I also believe that the speed of light is the transition point between one type of energy and another. In other words, faster than the velocity of light is to our senses the same as an abstract energy. Measuring it by our mass-energy, mass-energy temperature, and will register absolute zero on our temperatures.

—JOSEPH SACHAZESKI

Democrats Must Start Grass-Roots Revival

Lincolnton

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I EXPECTS to get back in the saddle of power in the Tenth District and better start right now and clean house.

The present leaders have demonstrated to one and all that they don't have anything on the ball. What we Democrats will do between now and 1958 is start in the grass roots and build a new party in these parts. The same old people and the same old ideas just won't do anymore.

Remember 1952, 1954 and 1956.

—COKE MARTIN JR.

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HERE is an eye-opener. Lincoln's pious wish that "government should be run by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth" has been fulfilled. The Kremlin with their tanks attend to it. Their government of the people does not perish; only the people. For example—Hungary.

—H. CHATFIELD

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON

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Open Invitation

So if the Justice Department wanted to get tough with the Democrat who defeated the famed and glamorous Jackie Cochran, Orlan, whose husband is now a heavy GOP contributor, whose husband's director, George Allen, is an intimate friend of the President, it could do so.

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as to the reason why the Voice of America suddenly canceled Judge Sand's broadcasts to Asia, but it now appears that the judge's technical violation of the election laws may be the reason.

Judge Sand was scheduled to broadcast for the Voice of America on November 15. Suddenly the Voice notified him the broadcast was off.

White House Orders

Officially, the Voice now explains that it is overloaded with work. Unofficially, it is believed that the judge's orders had been received from the White House to cancel Judge Sand. Voice officials obviously were disappointed.

They had planned to have him speak in various Indian dialects and were going to use his words not only in India, but throughout Asia and Africa, to show that the United States gives equal opportunity to everyone and that a native-born Indian could be elected to the chief governing body of the nation.

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The Spirit Of Thanksgiving

—Max Tharpe Photo

Lincoln's Thanksgiving Proclamation

CITY OF WASHINGTON

October 3, 1863

THE year that is drawing toward its close has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come, others have been added, which are of such extraordinary a nature that they cannot fail to penetrate and soften the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever-watchful providence of Almighty God.

Needful diversions of wealth and of strength from the fields of peaceful industry to the national defense have not arrested the plow, the shuttle, or the ship. . . and the mines, as well of iron and coal as of the precious metals, have yielded even more abundantly than heretofore. Population has steadily increased, notwithstanding the waste that has been made in the camp, the siege and the battlefield, and the country, rejoicing in the consciousness of augmented strength and vigor, is permitted to expect continuance of years with large increase of freedom.

No human hath devised, nor hath any mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the

most high God, who, while dealing with us in anger for our sins, has nevertheless remembered mercy.

It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently, and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and one voice by the whole American people. I do, therefore, invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart the last Thursday of November next as a day of thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens.

And I recommend to them that, while offering up the aspirations justly due to Him for such singular deliverances and blessings, they do also, with humble penitence for our national perverseness and disobedience, commend to His tender care our mourners, or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the interposition of the almighty hand to heal the wounds of the nation, and to restore it, as soon as may be consistent with the Divine purpose, to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquility, and union.

The Empty Stocking Goes Up Again

I love the Christmas-tide, and yet,
I notice this, each year I live;
I always like the gifts I get,
But how I love the gifts I give!

—CAROLYN WELLS

AND how the people of Charlotte love the gifts they give!

For 24 years The News has been hanging the Empty Stocking to enable people who find Christmas a very special day to help those who, without the help, would find it "just another day," perhaps a day drearier than most because of a boy's unmet hopes or the lonely grief of a girl without a gift.

For 24 years Charlotteans have filled the stocking, first with clothes, then toys, then food, and, currently, with money to allow needy parents and children to be bound up together in the delight of "having" Christmas, of getting and giving together.

The 25th Empty Stocking now is hung. It is worth noting, not as a matter of exhortation, but of information, that the stocking is as large as ever. The community is enjoying a general prosperity,

but prosperity is never general enough to subdue private poverty. And nowhere does a gift achieve a higher value than in the hands of a human who had hoped—without expectation—to receive one. The mechanics of the Empty Stocking Fund are simple, efficient and thrifty. The News receives gifts. The Christmas Bureau, a United Appeal agency, disburses them. After carefully checking to determine need and to prevent duplication of efforts of other agencies. Economy is served and the spirit and means of the gifts stretched to as many families as possible.

There are no deductions from the fund for administrative expenses, either by The News or by the Christmas Bureau. So there it is again, the stocking that Charlotteans have filled ever higher through the years; out of which came Christmas cheer for 529 families in 1931, its first year, and for 5,113 individuals last year.

It is always empty at this time of year, and always almost full before Christmas.

Won't you help fill it?
You always have.

From The Kansas City Star

FAILURE IN DIPLOMACY

IT IS EASY to sympathize with President Eisenhower, who has confided to a White House visitor that his name, probably the world's best known, is often misspelled. Some people drop one of the "e's," he explained.

This is an extreme case of course. But it is a symptom of the chronic American disease of being careless with names. Often we are introduced to someone and the next day, for the life of us, we

can't recall the chap's name. If we do remember it, we probably can't spell it.

It can be embarrassing. The classic example is the minister who thought he could offset his careless memory by a member of the congregation and, after the amenities, confided that he always had trouble with her name. Was it spelled with an "e" or an "i"?

"With an 'i,' sir," was the cold reply. "It's Hill!"