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Enter the New Prime Minister

The spotlight has been turned on Winston Churchill so long that even as close an associate as Sir Anthony Eden has been cast in the shadow. Even now, as Churchill leaves the center of the stage it is hard for the public not to let its eyes follow that familiar figure, and turn to the man who assumes the duties of Britain's prime minister. The Queen waited for a day to summon him for investiture, and Eden himself in his first talk in the Commons remarked that Churchill on his return "will still be the dominant figure among us."

That, however, is only partially true. In fact Churchill as a guiding force in government has been a receding figure for many months. He suffered a severe paralytic stroke three years ago and though his recovery was surprisingly complete, his powers definitely have been waning. On occasion he could rouse himself to old heights as he did in his address on Britain's policy of defense; but it was the flaming ember of a dying fire. To Sir Anthony, foreign minister and deputy leader in Commons, fell more and more the tasks of government and of party leadership. If he chafed under Churchill's delay in yielding the reins of power he never intimated it in public. Instead he remained a loyal subordinate.

Eden has distinguished himself in a long career of public service. Born in 1897 of an old, land-owning family, school at Eton was followed by duty in the first world war where he rose to a captaincy and won the Military Service cross. Then he entered Oxford, making Oriental languages his major. Parliament and a career in government beckoned him, and such was his brilliance that at 38 he became Foreign Minister, the youngest to hold that office in British history. He showed his independence when he resigned and left the cabinet of Neville Chamberlain because he opposed the policy of appeasing the dictators, Hitler and Mussolini. This put him in company with Churchill who was a lone voice calling for British rearmament to resist the encroachment of the

totalitarian powers. When war came in 1939 Chamberlain called him as well as Churchill into the cabinet. Churchill made him Foreign Minister when he succeeded Chamberlain as PM. Thereafter the careers of the two were closely linked.

Distinguished in personal appearance, tall, with hair now an iron grey, Eden is more the traditional type of diplomat and careerist in government. As speechmaker he lacks the oratorical lustre of his predecessor and the verbal inventiveness of which Churchill was master. His judgment is clear, however, and he has demonstrated many times courage in holding to convictions. Of special importance to the United States is the firmness of his friendship with this country. Time and again he has called for the "continuing association" of the two great English-speaking free countries. His succession will mean no breach with Washington, and his experience in personal relations with officials of our government under each of the great political parties insures a continuance of friendly cooperation. At the same time he will be no echo of Washington, as is already proven. He may serve as friendly monitor as well as close ally of the United States—a role which Washington frequently seems to need.

Mature in years and in experience Eden now has the full responsibility of leadership. This extends beyond the limits of British rule to sharing the burdens of guiding the nations of the world to peace and freedom and justice.

Monkey Business

India put a ban on the export of monkeys after several hundred of the simians were suffocated on an air flight to America. This has prompted a barrage in protest, not just from the circus and zoo people but from scientists who need monkeys for use in research, especially on diseases like polio. There need be no fear that the export will decimate the monkey population of India. The state of Uttar Pradesh reports it has 20 million monkeys which eat or destroy \$81 million worth of food a year. Monkey exporters join in the protest because they find good profit in this monkey business.

Lower New York City is losing another big department store, Hearn's on 14th St. with a history of 128 years of operation. This is the fourth closeout of a big department store in the city in late months. Ohrbach's left 14th St. for the former location of McCreery's at 34th St. and Fifth Avenue; Wanamaker's closed their big store at Eighth-Ninth Streets. Population shifts are in large measure responsible, the migration to the suburbs. Hearn's will continue as a corporate organization operating stores in the Bronx and on Long Island and in some of the fast-growing suburbs. Retailing these days is fast-paced.

Most Army Officers Believe U. S. Troops to Face Action if Quemoy, Matsus Defended

By STEWART ALSOP

WASHINGTON—The vast majority of responsible army officers—including Gen. Matthew Ridgway, Chief of Staff—believe that American ground troops will ultimately have to fight, if the decision is taken to hold Quemoy and the Matsus.

This conviction, of course, flies in the face of the Air Force and Navy doctrine that the job of defending the off-shore islands can be done with air and naval power alone. There is certainly a professional bias in the Army view. But there also seems to be a good deal of plain common sense.

In the first place, army tacticians believe that Chiang Kai-shek's heavy commitment of troops to the off-shore islands—more than 50,000 on Quemoy alone—is tactically as dangerous as the French commitment at Dienbienphu, an extremely valuable force is being risked in a geographical situation in which all the tactical advantages belong to the enemy.

The islands are so close to the mainland that Communist troops can land in strength on Matsau or Quemoy or both, any dark night. A land battle will then ensue, in the army view, and this battle will be decided on the ground, like any other infantry battle, however successfully the American Air Force and Navy may bomb mainland installations. If this country intervenes, the island battle must be won—otherwise the United States will indeed look like a paper tiger.

To make sure of winning, we must be ready to stiffen the Nationalist forces with crack American troops, the army men maintain. Therefore, if the intention to hold the islands is serious, this country ought ideally to have at least a full Army corps in the Formosa area, with at least one crack division in readiness at all times to reinforce the Nationalist troops on the islands.

But this is only the beginning of the story, in Army eyes. Suppose, for purposes of argument, the Army men say, that Nationalist ground troops, plus American air-atomic strength, do succeed in holding the off-shore islands without American ground forces. If we bomb the Chinese mainland with atomic weapons, surely the Chinese Communists are not going to simply sit and take it. The minimum response to be expected is a Chinese Communist and North Korean attack on the Korean front.

The Chinese are of course aware that we have only a couple of skinny divisions left in Korea, and that our available reinforcements are even skinnier. The Republic of Korea

forces are not negligible, but the real deterrent to renewed Communist aggression in Korea has been the threat of nuclear attack on the Chinese mainland. If we use atomic bombs against China in the defense of Quemoy and the Matsus, this deterrent will be spent. For months, the Communists have been preparing for a resumption of the Korean War, in open defiance of the truce terms. Thus we should also be prepared for a second Korean War.

There are other possible Communist moves, which must be taken into account. They range from the bombing of Formosa, and of American bases in Okinawa and Japan, to the maximum response—invocation of the Sino-Soviet treaty and nuclear war with Russia.

Army men agree that Russian intervention is on balance unlikely, but nevertheless they say that cannot be ruled out. And they claim that we cannot become heavily committed in Asia and play our promised part in NATO also, unless the current cut-back in troop strength is immediately and sharply reversed.

Finally, the Army men say, suppose the optimistic Air Force and Navy views are right. Suppose the Chinese Communist air force is knocked out of the

war, the islands are held, and the war does not spread beyond China. What then? How do you finish what you have started, except by going on to win the war? And after all, the Army men point out, winning major wars has in the past required the services of armies.

Contrary to report, neither Gen. Ridgway nor any of his subordinates opposes defending Matsau and Quemoy, if the President and his advisers conclude that they must be defended in the national interest. But most responsible Army officers do believe that the much publicized notion of a rather painless little war, in which hardly any one on our side gets hurt, is a dangerous illusion. They believe that a war starting over the off-shore islands will be no picnic—no picnic at all.

Certainly the Army, like the other services, has "parochial" tendencies, to use President Eisenhower's word. But surely there is also a certain unhappy logic in the Army's position, all the same. And by the same token, if the Administration is serious about defending the off-shore islands, there is surely precious little logic in the announced intention to continue the heavy cut-backs in Army ground strength.

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Time Flies:

10 Years Ago

April 7, 1945

More than 1250 U. S. eighth air force planes attacked rail traffic choke points at Leipzig and nearby Halle and Gera as hundreds of other allied craft likewise smashed at targets ahead of on-rushing American armored spearheads in southern Germany.

Major and Mrs. Webb Ware Trimble received congratulations on the birth of a daughter born recently at the Emmanuel hospital in Portland. Mrs. Trimble was the former Elizabeth Langille, Salem.

25 Years Ago

April 7, 1930

Ruth Hanna McCormick, whose husband and father were the to-gas of United States senators, won her contest for the republican senatorial nomination in the primaries at Chicago.

Katherine Everett was elected May Queen by vote of the Wil-

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lamette University students, getting a majority over Margaret Bolt and Lillian Scott. Miss Everett is president of the women's glee club and her sorority. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Everett, Portland.

Arguments of attorneys were heard in the State Supreme Court, in the mandamus action brought by Kelley Loe of Multnomah county, attacking the legality of the Eddy laws passed at the 1929 session of the legislature which limited to taxpayers the right to vote on bond and tax measures.

40 Years Ago

April 7, 1915

The Seward-Fairbanks route had been selected for the government railroad in Alaska. Secretary Lane announced. The property of the Alaska-Northern railroad from Seward over the first stage of the journey had been purchased for \$1,150,000. The estimated cost was \$26,800,000.

W. Al Jones, newly elected secretary of the State Fair board, arrived in Salem from his ranch in Wallawa county, to take up his duties in connection with the state fair.

McKinley, in honor of the martyred president, was the name officially adopted by the school board for the new building to be erected in South Salem.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



...What do you mean you're not making any progress here, Speedy?
...Every year with the firm, you're a year closer to a pension
...like everyone else!...

Comes the Dawn

Jock Brydon, local nurseryman, shows up with a recent issue of Scotland Mag. It tells about the birth of the word "posh"—meaning elegant, real gone, the living end. Seems it originated in the old days of shipping when nobody wanted to live on the sunny side of the ship. So wealthy nabobs of the British India Co., who had a big enough pull with shipowners, used to book cabins on the shady side of the ship going and coming. They had their tickets stamped "POSH", meaning "Port Out, Starboard Home."

A few months ago a crew of cameramen toured Salem. Their results were scheduled to be seen in breathtaking commercials via KPTV during the Heidelberg wrestling between 10 and 11 p.m. Friday, and also via KVAL (Eugene) next Tuesday at 9 p.m. during "Star and the Story."

State Forestry Department is keeping its collective limbs crossed, while hoping for the best in the coming fire season. The past two seasons have been especially kind to Oregon forests, producing only a minimum of forest fires. Seldom in the past, say the woody philosophers, has a string of non-inflammable summers stretched to three. But with the help of fire-watchers, public education, the weatherman and the squirrels, foresters hope to bring Oregon woodlands through another burn-free season

If you see a big, white, floppy-eared rabbit driving a delivery truck around Salem this week, don't let it crack your Easter egg. Because the bunny is really a deliveryman for The Flower Box, which is having all its flower orders delivered to customers by Easter bunnies. There's probably a yoke there someplace Anyway, when not in those hare-raising uniforms the rabbits are really Dick McCoy and Terry Green

About the time most of us get used to new car designs, we'll have to start all over again. Because National Petroleum News predicts that by 1960 some cars will be powered by automotive gas turbines. Which will replace the present piston-type engine. Which means that those of us who never understood the piston engine will dig even less about the turbine. Because the turbine is small, autos will be restyled. And fan belts will be thought of only in connection with Gypsy Rose Lee, if at all. Anti-freeze, spark plugs and oil filters also will become sales casualties. It'll probably be another 15 years or so before turbines really take over—provided the world holds together that long

IT SEEMS TO ME

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for the small store dealing exclusively in package liquors. Grocery stores sought and obtained package store licenses. Now the self-service groceries and super-markets have come in. Control authorities have experienced considerable difficulty in preventing minors from buying beer in self-service stores. There are crowds at checkout counters, the clerks there often are minors themselves. It is not easy to halt customers and check on their ages. With fortified wine available in self-service stores the problem for proprietors and for enforcing officers would be more difficult.

If this bill should pass we can anticipate a return to the old condition of addiction to fortified wine. Drunkenness would increase; more winos would appear; and more alcoholics would be committed to state mental institutions.

The bill is in the interest of

Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "Please look and see how many tablespoonsful of sugar we need."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "valet"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Disinclination, disintegrate, disbursement, disimulate.
4. What does the word "infamy" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with S that means "to over-spread, as with a fluid"?
ANSWERS
1. Omit "look and," and say "tablespoonsful." 2. The American, and preferred, pronunciation is valet, a as in valley, e as in let, accent on first syllable. 3. Disimulate. 4. Public disgrace dishonor or reproach. "His act will long be remembered as one of infamy." 5. Suffuse.

the California wine industry which is trying to unload its surplus production, and sees here an outlet if the package stores can again be opened to this trade.

The state has gone far enough in liberalizing the Knox law. The liquor-by-the-drink law has provided an abundance of drinking places where high-powered drinks are served; but they are under considerable measure of control by the operators and by the police and liquor board inspectors. Under the proposal the wino could buy fortified wine at a store and lug his bottle out for a heavy jag. The same may be said as to the opportunity for purchase of whiskey at the state store. There is this difference: the cost of the jag. Fortified wine is a lot cheaper than whiskey; so the bumper with a small piece of change could get high-powered stuff to satisfy his craving—and experience shows that he does just that.

HB 585 should be buried, in committee; and if not there on the floor of the House. Decency in public morals should not allow the return of fortified wine for general sale in package stores in Oregon.

Safety Valve

(Editor's Note: Letters for The Statesman's Safety Valve column are given prior consideration if they are informative and are not more than 300 words in length. Personal attacks and ridicule, as well as libel, are to be avoided, but anyone is entitled to air beliefs and opinions on any side of any question.)

"HAMLET IN ENGLISH"
To the Editor:
Read a complaint from Miss Lucille Burnett in your city, that Hamlet had been trans-

To-day's Holy Week Meditation

An Interpretation provided by The Upper Room

Communion
It was a day of heart-breaking farewell. To One Man had come the time of final fellowship with his friends. In deep anguish, he was to take leave of them and of this world. For this was the last day of his life!
With the keenest anticipation, the Master made his plans in advance, so that nothing would disturb his last hours of fellowship with his disciples. He did not choose to make a will. He did not wish to make a farewell speech. He chose, instead, to eat with his disciples in a gesture of gracious friendliness that will be remembered forever as the Lord's Table.
Luke tells the story of the Last Supper:
And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the apostles with him. And he said unto them, with desire I have desired

to eat this passover with you before I suffer: for I say unto you, I will not eat it, until it be fulfilled in the Kingdom of God.
And he received a cup, and when he had given thanks, he said, "Take this, and divide it among yourselves: for I say unto you, I will not drink from henceforth of the fruit of the vine, until the Kingdom of God shall come."
At the end of their meal together, Jesus said to his disciples,

Children, yet a little while I am with you . . . whither I go ye cannot come: so now I say unto you: A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another even as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

Tomorrow: Crucifixion."

Good Friday Rites Due at 1st Methodist

The traditional Good Friday Services sponsored by the Salem Ministerial Association will be held at the First Methodist Church Friday, the Rev. John Cauble, chairman of the committee on arrangements, said Wednesday.

The service will again be a series of seven periods of devotion and meditation upon "The Seven Last Words From the Cross" beginning at 12 noon and closing at 3 p.m. The public is invited.

The opening worship service will be conducted by the Rev. Brooks Moore, pastor of First Methodist Church.

Following will be the meditations upon the seven statements of Christ from the Cross as delivered by the Rev. William Clay Pastor of First Nazarene Church, "Forgiveness"; the Rev. Lloyd G. Ueker of the Englewood EUB Church on "Pardon"; the Rev. Lowell Holte, Grace Lutheran Church, on "Human Care"; the Rev. Calvin Moore, of First Methodist, on "Loneliness"; the Rev. Rudolph Woyke, Bethel Baptist Church, on "Human Needs"; the Rev. B. J. Holland, of the First Presbyterian Church, on "Victory"; the Rev. G. Philip Hurd, Associate Pastor of Court Street Christian, on "Commitment."

Conducting and assisting in each of the seven periods of devotion will be the Rev. M. C. Miller, pastor of the Free Methodist Church; the Rev. Warren Pechman, pastor of Faith Lutheran Church; the Rev. Ben Owen, assistant pastor of First Baptist Church; the Rev. O. W. Ebricht, pastor of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church; the Rev. George Roschky, D. D., District Superintendent of the Methodist Church; the Rev. Louis E. White, Knight Memorial Congregational Church; and the Rev. Joe Harding, Trinity Methodist Church.

Special Music

Providing the special music for the series of services will be Professor Josef Schnelker, organist for First Methodist Church and Mrs. Cracraft, organist for the First Christian Church. Vocal selections will be offered by Mrs. James Williams and Mr. F. Peter Larson.

Each of the devotions will be divided by special organ interludes to afford those who cannot remain for the entire service an opportunity to leave without interruption. Offerings may be left at the door for the "Share Our Surplus" Relief Program of the Church World Service.

The Jason Lee Memorial Methodist Church will conduct its annual Maundy Thursday candle-light holy communion service to night from 7:30 to 9 o'clock.

Open Communion

This is an open communion service to which all are invited. Communicants may come at any time within the hours scheduled. It is a silent service, the elements having been consecrated by the pastor before the service. Mrs. E. P. Goulder will play on the new organ throughout the service.

Grace Lutheran also will celebrate the Lord's Supper tonight at 8 o'clock in observance of Maundy Thursday. The senior choir will sing. A combined choir concert will take place at Central Lutheran Church on Good Friday night.

Liquor Charge Verdict Reversed

Marion County Circuit Court jury reversed a verdict of Salem Municipal Court Wednesday when it found Roland G. Patton innocent of a charge of driving while intoxicated.

The jury voted 11-1 for acquittal, deliberating about an hour. The lower court verdict was made in December and Patton appealed.

Ten pounds of air at 80 degrees Fahrenheit can hold 3 1/2 ounces of water, compared to 3 1/4 ounces of water at freezing temperature.

lated into Hindu and everything but English. Wish to inform the esteemed lady that I have translated Hamlet into today's English and the work is available.

Cyrus Friedman
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Portland 7, Ore.

Minors Taken From Father, Go to Mother

A Marion County domestic relations court decree which modified a divorce decree by changing custody of minor children from the mother to the father was reversed Wednesday by the Oregon Supreme Court.

Plaintiff-appellant in the action was Sylvia Gardner, and Vaughn A. Gardner was the defendant-appellant.

The court found that arrangements made by the mother for care of the children had sometimes proved unsatisfactory because of her long hours of work but this, it said, was necessitated by the husband's failure to pay support money.

"It would be an anomaly if children of tender age were deprived of their mother's care," the court said. If the defendant will keep up his support payments, the court concluded, the mother will have sufficient money to keep her family together in her own house.

Among other Supreme Court decisions handed down Wednesday was one reversing a judgment of \$88,000 and \$30,000 attorneys' fees to Superbilt Manufacturing Co., Portland, in a suit against the State Highway Commission.

The suit stemmed from condemnation of the firm's property required by construction of the Banfield Expressway. The high court, in an opinion written by Justice Walter Tooez, remanded it for a new trial.

Social Work Institute Due Here April 19

A Labor-Management Committee Social Work Institute, has been planned for April 19 at the Salem YMCA gymnasium.

The institute will be presided over by Norman O. Nilsen, chairman of the committee, and will consist of panel discussions and exhibits of United Fund agency activities.

Special feature of the meeting will be a speech by Paul Elliott, Seattle, a member of that city's Good Neighbors Association.

A similar institute was held here last year under the auspices of the labor-management group. This year's program is also being aided by the chapter plan promotion committee.

County Jail's Pane Broken

A window of the Marion County jail was broken Wednesday morning by two prisoners. There was no escape attempt involved. Sheriff Denver Young said the window was broken while the men were tossing around a small screen from a wash tub. The screen sailed through the bars, smashing the glass.

The United States government once owned nearly two-thirds of the land now in the United States.

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