

Eisenhower Testing Physical Fitness In Attempt To Reach Decision on Future

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Washington—(U.P.)—The world in Washington today:

President Eisenhower's shooting and golfing expedition in Georgia is much more than a lay retreat to concentrate on a great personal problem. Mr. Eisenhower is deliberately exposing himself to considerable physical activity. He is testing himself the degree of his recovery. If the spring stays in his legs after a week or 10 days of it, if he sleeps well, if he is not haunted at day's end by a warning fatigue—he'll run! You can give odds on that.

Most Senate Republicans voted for the gas bill which Mr. Eisenhower vetoed last week. The veto may embarrass some of them, but not much. Democrats cannot challenge those votes in this campaign because the bill was maneuvered through Congress by the Democratic leadership. Republican strategists count the veto a master political stroke. They figured it killed the give everything-away-to-the-interests issue which former President Truman has been warming up for campaign use.

Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson was the gas bill strategist in the upper house. The word from the tall Texan's office is: If the President wants Congress to do it all over again after further discussion, let him come up to Capitol Hill and lead the fight.

Mr. Truman has told friends he is "the must snubbed man in the United States"—meaning that neither before nor after his inauguration did Mr. Eisenhower seek his advice. On the contrary, the President-Elect avoided the President. Returning from Korea in December, 1952, President-Elect Eisenhower lingered in Hawaii to avoid attending a gridiron dinner to which Mr. Truman didn't go either, perhaps in the belief Mr. Eisenhower would be there.

The two do not like each other. Mr. Truman's hurt feelings are cited in Washington in explanation of his barbed references to the President in the second volume of his recollections. Mr. Truman holds Mr. Eisenhower responsible for "a campaign of vilification and distortion in 1952." He called some of Mr. Eisenhower's campaign activities "politically and morally intolerable."

This year's campaign promises to be rougher and tougher. Top Democrats angrily resented

to the congressional elections. Nixon would have gone further on the Communist issue had he not been restrained. Mr. Truman, Adlai E. Stevenson and others have been roughing up Mr. Eisenhower in their recent speeches. If it is an Eisenhower-Nixon ticket again this year, the President may not be so eager to censor his young friend again.

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Forestry Kits Sent To Boy Scout Council

Every Boy Scout council in Oregon is receiving a special Boy Scout forestry kit prepared and distributed through American Forest Products Industries, Inc., national sponsor of the tree farm program and the Keep America Green fire prevention education campaign.

Use of the kit will begin in April, forestry month with the nation's 1,500,000 Boy Scouts and Explorer Scouts. Contents include a program for a loggers field day for Scouts, one-act skits, a radio-television forum and suggested troop projects. Visits to pulp mills, sawmills,

wood preserving plants, and related tours and demonstrations are among troop projects recommended in the kit.

Firms and foresters wishing to help in the program should get in touch with local Boy Scout councils during February and March, according to an industry announcement. Invitations to visit plants, tree farms and other sites will be most helpful, the announcement said.

Astronomers believe the mountains of the moon are as high or even higher than any to be found on the earth.

Democrats Ask Foreign Policy Review in Face of Soviet Claims

Washington — (U.P.) — Democrats renewed their demands today for a congressional review of defense policy following claims that Russia is "ahead of us" in the ballistic missile race.

Trevor Gardner who resigned as chief of the Air Force research staff earlier this month after a row with the Administration over money for research, urged yesterday that Congress set up a new "czar" to push an emergency missile program.

Russia Believed Ahead
"I believe the Russians are ahead of us," Gardner said when questioned about the U. S. ballistic missile progress.

Sen. Stuart Symington (D-Mo.), former Air Force secretary under the Truman administration, who also insists the United States is behind in the missile race, said he was "glad the truth is finally getting to the people."

"I am only sorry that under this administration, this apparently can only happen through resignations," Symington said.

view" by Congress to "find out if we're properly defending ourselves."

Gardner said the new missile czar — who would be a new deputy or Assistant Defense Secretary — should be responsible directly to Congress for the missile program and should handle money for it "exempt from normal controls of defense funds."

He also called for a second "crash" program to increase production of the B52 intercontinental bomber from a present 17 a month, which he said was "pitifully low," to 45 a month.

Gardner said without qualification that this country has "no operational ballistic missile." He said the United States is ahead of Russia in development of air-to-air and ground-to-air defense missiles but behind in development of a ballistic missile.

Zhukov's Speech Cited
Gardner said Soviet Defense Minister Georgi K. Zhukov's speech Saturday brought out what U. S. officials "have been fearing for some time."

Zhukov declared Russia has atomic and hydrogen weapons and "long-range missiles." He

said nuclear bombing of U. S. cities would follow any Western attack on Russia.

Air Force Secretary Donald A. Quarles claimed Saturday that the United States is "probably well ahead of Russia in the guided missile race," but did not specifically apply this to ballistic missiles.

Thames River Searched For 'Monster Fish'

London — (U.P.) — A police launch searched the Thames river in front of Parliament Sunday night for a "monster fish" several persons reported seeing.

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More on getting into Mexico by automobile:

The first step is getting through the border. If you allow about an hour and a half for the formalities, you won't be far off. Because of extreme tightness of accommodations, it's wise to start in the morning—especially if you are entering at Nogales. It's better to get in early than to get in late. This goes double if you do not have confirmed reservations.

YOU will probably be told by cynics to have a fistful of dollar bills and shed them liberally. I wouldn't say that a dollar bill—or maybe a four-bit piece—placed discreetly would not speed your passage through the border machinery, but it isn't a necessity.

WHEN you get your papers, keep them handy for a half hour or so. There will be about three required stops shortly after you leave the border station—quite similar to the California bug stations.

At each stop, you hand over your papers—as you must do after crossing a frontier almost anywhere in the world except in free and easy U.S.A. and Canada. They will be glanced at quickly and returned to you—usually with a word of courtesy and often with a wave of the hand and a friendly grin and a familiar idiomatic American "OK."

AS TO Spanish. A smattering of it will help in reading traffic signs. In Nogales, for example, there are several "no left hand turn" signs shortly after leaving the border station. It would be embarrassing to get stopped for a traffic violation right at the beginning of your trip.

There will be narrow bridges. In such cases, it is useful to know what "puente angosto" means. And so on.

YOU'LL be wise if you work yourself out a formula for reducing kilometers to miles—for distances and speed limits

are reckoned in kilometers in Mexico. Otherwise you'll be apt to drive too fast as a result of mistaking kilometers for miles. Mexico's West Coast highway is in general straight and fast and smooth, and the temptation to step on it is a natural one.

A good rule of thumb is to mentally multiply the number of kilometers by .6. A kilometer, that is to say, is .62 of a mile. On the long, straight stretches, a speed limit (Maxima Velocidad) of 100 kilometers is permitted. Six-tenths of 100 kilometers is 60 miles. So if you hold the needle on 60 miles, you'll be right on the button.

On the longer straight stretches, 100 kilometers is the more or less average speed limit. But there are many areas of seemingly good, straight road where the limit is 80 kilometers. Eighty kilometers multiplied by .6 gives you a speedometer reading of 48 m.p.h. In the villages and on windings roads, the limit is apt to drop as low as 20 kilometers (12 m.p.h.).

IN GENERAL, however, one can rely on covering about the same amount of ground as on the reasonably open, fairly straight highways of Southern Oregon and Northern California. This is useful in calculating arrival time. Towns and villages are relatively few and far between, so that one can maintain a good average rate of speed.

IN GENERAL, however, you will need no Spanish—unless you get lost outside the larger towns and need to inquire your way. Almost everywhere, except in the smaller and more remote villages, you'll find someone who speaks English in varying degrees of fluency—especially in the lodging and eating spots.

In these places, you will have no trouble at all.

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