

By FRANK JENKINS

Anthony Eden resigns as Britain's premier. Failing health is the officially offered and officially accepted reason for his resignation.

The REAL reason is that at Suez he started something British couldn't finish. Inability to finish what was started at Suez has resulted in disaster to the British people.

So—
Having flopped—
Eden had to quit. That is the long and the short of it.

THAT brings up a situation that is a little difficult for us Americans to understand.

The British premier is the approximate equivalent of the American President. He is the chief executive officer of the British government. But he isn't elected by the people. Here is how he gets his job:

The king (in this case the queen) "invites" the LEADER of the MAJORITY PARTY to "form a government" and to be prime minister. The prime minister then confers WITH HIS PARTY and sends the king (or the reigning queen) a list of men to head the various government departments. The king appoints them at once—without question.

Some of these ministers have cabinet rank and some do not, but all must be members of parliament. Among them they constitute "the government." The new prime minister then moves to his official residence at No. 10 Downing street — the British equivalent of the White House—where the cabinet holds its frequent meetings.

IF WE are to understand the basic difference between the British system and ours, we must keep this fact in mind:

The British premier holds his job ONLY AS LONG AS A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF HIS PARTY IN PARLIAMENT ARE SATISFIED WITH HIM.

What happened to Eden is that a majority of the members of his party in parliament became dissatisfied with his leadership.

THEORETICALLY, parliamentary elections must be held every five years, because members of parliament (corresponding to our congress) are elected for five-year terms, but if parliament and the cabinet disagree new elections may be held at any time if a majority of the party in power so wishes. In Eden's case, the party in power called for a new premier and named the man it wanted and in accordance with long custom the queen appointed the man the Conservative party had decided on as Eden's successor.

THE British ruler (in this case the queen) is only a figurehead in the actual conduct of Britain's government — but a very USEFUL figurehead because the ruler carries forward and insures CONTINUITY in the government. Without such a provision for continuity there would be something resembling anarchy in crises involving a change.

In this case, the ruler is attractive young Queen Elizabeth. You will have noted from the dispatches that she was called in from the palace of Sandringham. (When that happened it was quite apparent to everybody that a crisis had arisen in the British government and a change of premiers was impending.)

You will have noted in the dispatches, I suppose, that the queen "made her decision after talks with former premier Churchill and other conservative leaders."

WHAT of the new premier? It is stressed that he has close relations with the United States. His mother was an American. He has business interests both in Britain and the U.S.

So it must be presumed that Britain feels a compelling need to work with the United States.

Copco Reports 1956 Operating Revenues

A. S. Cummins, president of the California Oregon Power company, Saturday reported 1956 preliminary gross operating revenues of \$21,405,140.

This was an increase of 12.97 per cent over operating revenues for the preceding period, Cummins said. Net income totaled \$4,380,000. After deduction for preferred stock dividend requirements, this was equivalent to about \$2.31 per share on the 1,838,669 shares of outstanding common stock.

The Copco president stated \$14,000,000 has been programmed for construction during 1957.

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President in Position to Tell State of World, Truman Notes

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Now that the President proposes to adopt a clear-cut policy of action, we should do everything to back him up. We must at this stage accept the President's assessment of what the situation is, for only the President is in possession of all the facts, and should therefore be in position to tell us the true state of affairs around the world. It is the President who must exercise his constitutional authority to make foreign policy, and he cannot delegate that authority either to members of his administration, or to Congress, or to the United Nations.

But Congress, too, must do its part to enable the President to carry out his announced policies by voting him adequate funds. At the same time, Congress will, and should, insist on being more fully informed and henceforth more frequently consulted.

U.N. Established
The United Nations was established largely through the initiative and support of the United States and has its home here. It is growing in influence and power as a force for peace.

But the United Nations was never intended to assume any of the burden of making foreign policy for the United States. To do so would weaken us and wreck the United Nations. For until other free nations grow in strength, the United Nations will continue to draw its strength from its strongest link—the United States.

The League of Nations collapsed without us and the United Nations could crumble if we falter and fail in our unique responsibilities to help maintain the peace of the world.

We cannot hesitate, and we dare not falter in what we must do in the Middle East. The peace and economy of the whole world depend upon the resources concentrated in that area. So long as these resources are available to all nations, unhampered by capricious and tyrannical barriers, the chances for peace will be good. We must do all that we can to ensure free access of this area to all nations. But Russian intrigues and designs to move into the Middle East would deny the world the free access it must have to survive and would inevitably lead to war. Let us make no mistake. This is what Russia is after—control of these resources.

President's Proposals
The proposals made by the President, when approved by the Congress, will strengthen the position of the free world. But I do not think they go far enough.

I suggest that certain further steps need to be taken to undo the Russian encroachments in the Middle East and check new penetrations there. Recurring armed clashes and flareups, arising from ancient and special troubles in this area, must be settled soon, or else Russia will continue to exploit these troubles for her own expansionist purposes.

These are the steps I have in mind:

First: An embargo ought to be imposed on the shipment of all arms and ammunition by Russia to the Middle East. It would be desirable to have an embargo on shipments of all arms to the Middle East by all nations until tensions subside and security pacts and disarmament agreements in the area can be worked out. Arms and ammunition shipped into the area should go only

to the Emergency Forces of the United Nations stationed in that area.

Shipments Continues
I hear the Russians are continuing shipment of arms to Syria, and I expect they will resume shipments to Egypt. Russia must be warned that these must stop. When Russia began penetration of the Middle East by sending arms to Egypt more than a year ago we should have warned the Kremlin that we would not stand for this trouble-making maneuver. All we had to do was to say "You can't do that" and be ready to back it up. All we would have needed to back up this warning was to put a couple of cruisers at the end of the Black Sea Straits and a couple of cruisers and air carriers in the Eastern Mediterranean.

Our past experience—as in the case of the Berlin Airlift—showed that the Russians would not dare to risk open war by shooting down our planes, once we had made clear that we intended to maintain that airlift and that we were not bluffing.

Enlarged Forces
Second: The United Nations Emergency Forces should be enlarged and strengthened to whatever size events may prove necessary to maintain order until the Suez Canal problem has been completely resolved and a peace treaty between Israel and Egypt has been concluded.

The Suez Canal is the economic jugular vein of the European economy and one of the vital waterways of the world. A stoppage of traffic through the Canal of only a few weeks has paralyzed the European continent and even the Middle East. We have had to ship oil from this country to meet the emergency, although we have been trying to build up our own dwindling oil reserves here, to meet future emergencies.

I believe very strongly that all the vital waterways of the world, upon which the peace and economy of the world depend, should be freely opened to all commerce. At the Potsdam conference I tried to get recognition of this problem of open traffic on the waterways of the world. I urged that the Black Sea Straits the Kiel Canal, the Rhine and Danube rivers, the Suez Canal, Gibraltar and the Panama Canal be made free waterways for merchant shipping.

Relieve Tension
I suggest that we ought to keep on working to relieve world tensions. And the first practical step we can take along that line is to achieve a permanent settlement of the Suez Canal, for we cannot leave it to the caprices of a military dictator or the political whims of any one nation.

And we must realize that it is naive and fantastic to hope that we can achieve any kind of peace in the Middle East as long as there are bitterness and open clashes between the Arabs and the Jews. The nation of Israel is here to stay.

The United States, as well as the United Nations, should do everything possible to cool the passions of those extremists who want to destroy Israel. The boundary lines between Israel and Egypt must be settled and those boundaries guaranteed.

The United Nations Emergency Forces could play a highly constructive role in this.

Fought Two Wars
Third: In our own interest and in the interest of the peace of the world we should never again allow ourselves to become separated from our allies. We cannot be part internationalist, part isolationist, part pacifist and part appeasers. We fought two world wars to keep Britain, France and Western civilization from being destroyed by an ambitious Kaiser and a madman Hitler.

At the end of the second world war we set up a number of important barriers to see that Britain, France, and the free world were safe against the threat of international communism. Vacillation, indecision and failure to state clearly our foreign policy during the past few years and neglecting to keep our allies informed of our aims and intentions contributed to the recent tragic events in the Middle East and almost brought us to a third world war.

Perhaps this is no time to remind ourselves that we must assume some responsibility for the panicky military moves of the British, French and Israelis in Egypt. Yet we had better draw a lesson from what happened.

I would ask what the American people would think we would do if the Panama Canal were seized in violation of treaties and made subject to the will of a dictator. I know what I would do. I feel certain that if I had kept close diplomatic contact with our allies and maintained a frank and forthright understanding of what was involved in the Middle East, we could well have avoided the debacle that followed.

I think it is an historic blunder to have found ourselves on the same side with expansionist and communist Russia in a move to rebuke and weaken our allies with whom we had to fight jointly two world wars, because their security and ours are inseparable.

During my administration we kept an intimate understanding with the leaders of our allies. France and Britain have, for over a century, been with us, and we have managed to get along and cooperate on all major world problems.

It was inevitable that, at times, we would find ourselves in sharp contention. But we never failed to treat them as free and independent allies. We always got along and worked together for our mutual security and peace. We conducted our relations in a free and candid manner. We never failed to tell each other what we intended to do, and we always did exactly what we said we would do.

Leading Power
As President of the world's leading power, I thought it not only essential but proper to keep the doors of the White House open to all our allies at all times with equal treatment for all. As President, I welcomed the visits of all heads of state, as well as prime ministers and foreign ministers.

At the end of the Potsdam conference I informed Stalin that if any further joint conferences of heads of government were to be held, they would have to take place in Washington, since President Roosevelt and I had already come to meet them in Europe. Now that we have a promise of a new foreign policy, I hope that all the Allied leaders will soon again be invited to come to Washington and that invitations for such visits will not be limited to a few men we favor or court.

As we back the President in his announced program for the Middle East, let us also make sure that we restore the strength, dignity and prestige of our allies, without whom we cannot be certain of the maintenance of peace for all the people of the world.

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Portland — (U.P.) — Clyde C. Crosby, head of the Teamsters Union in Oregon, is reported to have prepared a complaint accusing officials of the Oregonian Publishing Company of illegally publishing the text of telecommunications.

Eagle Point Boy Named 4-H Club Member of Month

Bob Hayes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hayes, Eagle Point, has been named the outstanding Jackson County 4-H club member of the month, Glenn Klein, county extension agent, has announced.

He is now in his ninth year of 4-H club work, and has concentrated on livestock, with dairy, beef and swine major



BOB HAYES
4-Her of the Month

projects. A high placer in 4-H exhibits, he has had championships with both Angus cattle and Duroc Jersey pigs.

Hayes has made several trips with livestock to the Pacific International in Portland, the state fair, and to the Grand National Junior Livestock Exposition at San Francisco, where last year he showed his first prime steer. He has twice been selected as a qualified showman at the Cow Palace show, and was one of the top competitors in the Jackson county fair.

Starting as a nine-year-old club member, he took poultry and got his first championship on a hen at the county fair. He now owns 11 head of dairy animals and three beef, which he hopes to use as the foundation for a future farming enterprise.

Top Dairy Judge
A top dairy judge, Hayes has placed first in the county fair in dairy judging on two occasions, and was third high individual and fifth individual at the state fair and Pacific International, respectively.

Some of his 4-H top awards are Gitzen and Gitzen award, Freerberger award, First National bank award, and he has received four county medals in meat animals, poultry, boys' agriculture program and dairy.

He was selected as one of the top club members last year to compete in state wide competition. He has been active in the Antelope Livestock club, and has held most of the offices, including the presidency of the Antelope General club.

He has been a junior leader in the dairy and beef club of Antelope for the past three years.

A charter member of the Future Farmers of America at Eagle Point, he was vice president last year, and is president this year. He competed at the state fair for the Future Farmers judging team, which placed second. He was later selected to represent the Eagle Point chapter at the National Future Farmers' Convention in Kansas City, Mo.

A member of the honor society at Eagle Point High school, he works on special projects in the shop. Two years ago he won a Ford Foundation Industrial Arts award for a cross-bow.

Goiters were recognized as a human affliction 2,000 years ago and were generally treated by sea salt, both eaten and also applied externally.

Ex-Resident's Son Tells of Clinic Visit

Alan Jay Gould of Portland, 9-year-old son of a former Medford resident, was author of an article recently appearing in the Oregon Journal concerning his trip to the Mayo clinic in Rochester, Minn.

He is the son of Al Gould, Journal sports writer and graduate of Medford High school. Mr. and Mrs. Gould accompanied him to the clinic, where he underwent a series of tests for a rare malfunctioning of the pancreas known as cystic fibrosis.

The article describes his plane trip to Rochester, his impression of the clinic structures and the ordeal of making and keeping appointments with various doctors.

Among tests mentioned in the article were the "stomach test", in which a tube was placed down his throat to his stomach, and the "sweat test", in which a piece of cotton was placed on his chest and he was wrapped in blankets for about two hours.

After the latter test, his case was diagnosed. It was pointed out that children suffering from cystic fibrosis are especially susceptible to respiratory infection. In addition to taking tests, Alan wrote of having fun in the hotel, running the elevator and taking the train back to Portland.

Humans May Occupy Satellites, Expert Says

Princeton, N. J.—(U.P.)—Rocket expert Willy Ley predicted Friday night humans will occupy stationary satellites in outer space by 1982 and land on the moon soon afterward.

Ley, a pioneer in the field of rockets and space flight, spoke before some 200 students and faculty members of the Princeton University branch of the American Rocket Society.

Green Fir Prices Show Upward Movement

Portland — (U.P.) — Green fir prices moved upward during the first two weeks of the new year and caused the lumber industry price average on 75 items to improve by 13 cents, according to Crow's Lumber Price Index.

Green fir prices moved up 60 cents on the index. Framing lumber rose from one to two dollars in actual price in the past two weeks but dry fir low grade dimension and boards sagged in price.

Contest Scheduled For Future Farmers

Central Point — The Rogue Umpqua Future Farmers parliamentary contest will be held at Crater High school Saturday, Jan. 19, at 9:30 a.m.

This contest is designed to determine how well various teams can use Roberts Rules of Order in carrying on a business meeting.

Teams competing will be from Future Farmer chapters in Phoenix, Eagle Point, Grants Pass, Illinois Valley and Crater High schools.

Winning teams will compete in the state semi-finals in February. The state contest will be held at LaGrande in March. The public is invited to attend the Jan. 19 contest, according to Ed-

ward R. Griggs, Crater High school agriculture teacher.

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