

# Foreign Aid Foes Called 'Blind Gamblers' by Ike

WASHINGTON, May 21 (AP)—President Dwight D. Eisenhower, in the fightingest speech of his second term, tonight pictured foes of foreign aid as blind and reckless gamblers, whose advice could lead to "disaster"—the loss of peace and freedom.

## Experts Predict More Spending Despite Cutting

WASHINGTON, May 21 (AP)—Despite congressional vows to cut the budget, House tax experts forecast today that federal spending in 1955 may soar more than a billion dollars above President Eisenhower's figure of \$71 billion.

Congressional budget cutters are aiming at a \$3 or \$4 billion reduction in Eisenhower's appropriations requests for the new bookkeeping year starting July 1.

Nevertheless, staff specialists reported to the House Ways and Means Committee that "actual budget expenditures in the fiscal year 1953 are more likely to be in the neighborhood of \$73 billion."

The chief reason for this outlook, they said, is that prices are likely to continue to rise.

In the government fiscal picture there is often a sharp difference between appropriations for a particular year, and actual spending in that year. Because money often is not spent until long after Congress sanctions the spending, a backlog of funds builds up. Thus Congress could slash appropriations for 1958 without actually cutting spending in that year.

## Defense Budget Slashed

WASHINGTON, May 21 (AP)—The House Appropriations Committee said today it has cut the Defense Department budget by \$2.6 billion. It voted for the slash in the face of President Eisenhower's warnings against any substantial cut.

The committee set the total at \$33,541,225,000 in new appropriations for the Army, Navy and Air Force in the fiscal year.

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# Reds Promise To Rip Down Iron Curtain

MOSCOW, May 21 (AP)—The Soviet government promised today to do its best to tear down the Iron Curtain.

It called a news conference to announce the establishment of a new government agency dedicated to this aim.

The new agency will operate directly under the Council of Ministers, the executive branch of the government. It is called "The State Committee for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries."

The chairman is Yuri A. Zhukov, former assistant editor in chief of the Communist party newspaper Pravda.

Zhukov presided at the news conference, where it was declared the problem of reducing the East-West barriers will be attacked in two ways.

The first will be by doing everything possible to develop cultural and other exchanges between countries.

The second will be by giving foreign correspondents in Moscow every facility—"short of the moon"—to help them gather "genuine and objective" news and information.

## Confidence Lost, Mollet Resigns

PARIS, May 21 (AP)—Socialist Premier Guy Mollet handed in his resignation tonight after losing a confidence vote in the National Assembly.

President Rene Coty seized on a technical point to delay acceptance. Coty said he will consult with Assembly leaders and decide tomorrow whether to ask Mollet to stay on.

Coty's point was that Mollet's opposition failed to muster an absolute majority—currently 298 votes—as required under the constitution to force a premier to quit.

Beaten on his "beat the rebel" fiscal program of belt tightening, Mollet said he will insist on quitting.

Mollet told reporters that if Coty asks him to continue he will refuse.

The President went to bat for his \$3,865,000,000 mutual security program in a speech prepared for delivery over nation-spanning television and radio.

As he has before in defending his budget, Eisenhower declared the "cost of peace is high in this atomic age."

"Yet the price of war is higher and is paid in different coin—with the lives of our youth and the devastation of our cities," Eisenhower said.

### Hits Cut-Minded

Obviously hitting at members of Congress who want to cut the foreign aid program, the President then went on to say:

"The road to this disaster could easily be paved with the good intentions of those blindly striving to save the money that must be spent as the price of peace."

Eisenhower, speaking from his White House office, added that "to try to save money at the risk of such damage" to the mutual security program "is neither conservative nor constructive." Then he declared:

"It is reckless.

### Hints 'Loss of Peace'

"It could mean the loss of peace. It could mean the loss of freedom. It could mean the loss of both.

"I know that you would not wish your government to take such a reckless gamble.

Eisenhower's TV-radio talk was his second appeal of the day in behalf of his foreign aid program, already scaled down from the administration's original figure of \$4.4 billion.

## Winds Rip Kansas City

KANSAS CITY, May 21 (AP)—A brick by brick search of shattered homes and stores was underway today for more possible victims of a radar-tracked tornado that killed at least 37 and injured more than 200 in a slash through Kansas City suburbs early last night.

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# UN Prods Egyptians On Suez Settlement

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., May 21 (AP)—The Security Council president today prodded Egypt to clear up as quickly as possible all questions on operation of the Suez Canal. The Council put the controversial issue on the shelf pending developments.

These developments came as the French National Assembly in Paris dealt a surprise defeat to the government of Premier Guy Mollet and indirectly undermined the French position here.

The passing of the Mollet regime deprived Foreign Minister Christian Pineau of any power to deal further with issues here except as a lame-duck acting minister.

Pineau had flown here to press for Council action to force Egypt to yield on its unilateral operation of the Suez Canal. He flew to Washington last night for a conference today with Secretary of State Dulles and back here for the Council windup.

Without taking a vote, the Council gave assent to a statement by its president, U.S. Chief Delegate Henry Cabot Lodge. Lodge's summary wound up a two-day debate touched off by the French demand for new negotiations for a permanent settlement of the canal question.

Just before making his summary statement, Lodge made it clear the United States had re-

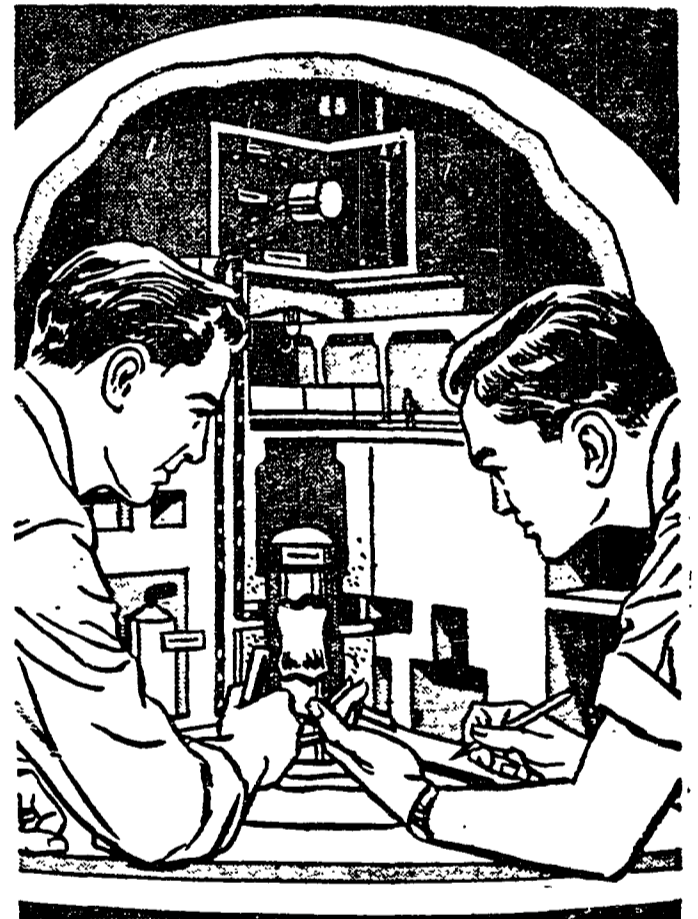
refused to go along with the French proposed for new negotiations.

He told the Council, as U.S. delegate, that the United States continues to hold the view that a declaration made by Egypt on April 24 does not entirely meet Council requirements but the United States is still willing to give it a trial.

## Haiti Under Martial Law; Nation Said in Danger

PORT AU PRINCE, May 21 (AP)—Brig. Gen. Leon Cantave, who tried for five months to keep the army neutral in Haiti's political turmoil, slapped military rule on this Negro republic today. He declared this was necessary to save the Caribbean nation from anarchy, economic ruin and even hunger.

The Army proclaimed a night-long curfew, imposed censorship on outgoing dispatches and banned broadcasts of a political or subversive character.



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