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Ike Returns From Europe

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Eisenhower returns home today to a fanfare of trumpets and a warm bipartisan welcome designed to show national unity in the face of Russian insults and threats.

The President, returning from the scuttled summit conference in Paris and a hero's reception in Lisbon, was scheduled to land at Andrews Air Force Base at 3 p.m. e.d.t. Major networks planned to televise and broadcast his arrival.

Greeting him will be Mrs. Eisenhower, Vice President Richard M. Nixon, Speaker Sam Rayburn, cabinet officials and members of Congress from both political parties. Diplomats representing America's allies also will be there.

"Welcome home, Ike" celebrations also will be held in communities throughout the nation. Pittsburgh Mayor Joseph M. Barr, for example, urged citizens there to fly "Old Glory" to show Eisenhower that Americans stand behind him. The city's air raid sirens and factory whistles will sound for 90 seconds when Eisenhower arrives.

Washington's public and parochial schools will let out early so school children can swell the ranks of those lining the route of the President's motorcade to the White House.

Eisenhower planned to speak briefly at the airport. He will make a TV-radio report to the nation on the summit conference collapse at a later date but no definite time has been set.

When the President steps off his plane, a fanfare of trumpets will sound and the Army band then will strike up a snappy march.

The District of Columbia commissioners have proclaimed today as "Dwight D. Eisenhower Day," and urged citizens of the nation's capital to give the President a big welcome.

Hearing Is Held On City Utility Sale

The sale of the Decatur electric utility was taken under advisement by the public service commission of Indiana this morning in public hearing at Indianapolis following statements by both the city and I&M in favor of the sale. Robert G. Smith, attorney for several groups favoring the sale, said at noon today.

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PRESIDENT IN PORTUGAL—Close-up shows President Eisenhower in an open car as he was accorded tumultuous reception in Lisbon, Portugal.

Investiture Tuesday For Msgr. Schmitt

Investiture services for the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Simeon M. Schmitt, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic church, will be held at the church at 5 o'clock Tuesday evening.

Msgr. Schmitt will offer the mass in the presence of the Most Rev. Leo A. Pursey, bishop of the Fort Wayne diocese who will invest the local pastor as a domestic prelate.

Visiting priests will assist in the investiture ceremonies, and will be guests at a dinner in the parish hall following the mass.

A parish reception honoring Msgr. Schmitt will be held at the Knights of Columbus hall at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening.

The Decatur priest was one of eight priests of the Fort Wayne diocese to be honored with the rank of monsignor by Pope John XXIII, last month.

Msgr. Schmitt is a native of Decatur, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Dyonis Schmitt. Ordained in Cincinnati, O., Dec. 18, 1926, he served as assistant pastor at St. Paul, Marion, St. Charles, and Peru, before being named pastor at St. Joseph's in Delphi in 1937. Since then he served as pastor at St. Peter and Paul, Huntington, and St. John the Baptist, Fort Wayne, until his appointment to Decatur May 31, 1959.

Mrs. Stoutenberry was a member of the Zion Christian Union church.

Surviving are two sons, Raymond, at home, and Marvin, of Decatur route 3; two daughters, Mrs. Russell (Vera) Owens of Decatur, and Mrs. Dan (Anna) Baumgartner of Vera Cruz; three grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; two brothers, William Sautin of Decatur, and Roy Sautin of Decatur route 4, and one sister, Mrs. Ada Hayberg of Nekar, Minn.

Nearly Half Inch Of Rain Reported Here

Nearly half an inch of rain fell Thursday in Decatur, Louis Landrum, weather observer, reported this morning.

The official Decatur station showed that .44 inches had fallen in the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. Tuesday, .26 inches was reported. The St. Mary's river stood at 1.71 feet today, far below the flood stage.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Zwicks funeral home and at 2:30 p.m. at the St. Luke's Evangelical and Reformed church, the Rev. L. A. Minsterman officiating. Burial will be in the Zion cemetery at Honduras. Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. today until time of the services.

Threat Repeat By Khrushchev

BERLIN (UPI) — Premier Nikita Khrushchev said today he would take no action against West Berlin for at least six to eight months when he hopes another summit conference can be called with the next U.S. president.

He made it clear he would never again meet with President Eisenhower. He extended his deadline on a new Berlin crisis until new American presidential elections are held and the United States elects someone "who can negotiate."

He told the Communists the Pentagon was opposed to successful negotiations at the summit and arranged the dispatch of a U-2 plane over the Soviet Union on May Day in order to sabotage the chiefs of government meeting.

The plane, Khrushchev said to a burst of applause, never returned to its home base, and its pilot will be brought before a Soviet court.

Khrushchev said the U-2 plane was sent over the Soviet Union "with the knowledge of the President." He said the action was accompanied by a ggressive speeches by leaders of the American government on eve of the summit.

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