

BERMUDA BOUND:

The Mid-Ocean Club at Bermuda awaits the leaders of two nations. President Eisenhower is on his way to meet Prime Minister MacMillan - a meeting which everyone hopes will heal the breach between Britain and America which arose from the Suez crisis. The President travels by sea from Norfolk, Virginia.

Over to London Airport, where President Eisenhower's old wartime colleague Harold MacMillan is ready for his Westward journey. Before he leaves, he says a word about the purpose of the talks:

"I am leaving tonight for Bermuda, where I shall meet President Eisenhower. It is a great pleasure for me to meet him there for two reasons. First, I think it's a great thing that we should have this meeting on British soil, one of the oldest of our British overseas possessions of the Crown, and relatively, very nice to meet an old friend again.

I've known General Eisenhower, may I call him that, President Eisenhower, since the days of the war, when I worked at his headquarters as British Resident Minister. We had a lot of very tough problems to deal with then, and we were great friends. And one of the advantages of friendship is that you can talk frankly to your friends, and this is one of the occasions when it's much better that the British should be quite frank about the way they feel, and the Americans I'm sure, will be quite frank about what they feel, too.

But partnership and friendship are based upon frankness and I feel quite confident that a great deal will be gained by this meeting..."

Also at the Premier's Party is Foreign Minister Selwyn Lloyd. No one questions the urgency of healing the Anglo-American rift - for with the world on the brink of another Middle East crisis, Bermuda may hold the key to peace. Much depends on the statesmanship of two old friends,.....