EMC Executive Director Introduces Eisenhower Author Presentation

Professor Galambos delivers his book presentation, April 2018, U.S. National Archives, Washington, D.C.
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Last week, EMC Advisory Committee member and Johns Hopkins University Professor Emeritus, Louis Galambos, gave a presentation at the National Archives on his book, Eisenhower: Becoming the Leader of the Free World. EMC Executive Director, Carl W. Reddel, provided introductory remarks. In Eisenhower and in his remarks, Professor Galambos—the senior editor of the 21-volume The Papers of Dwight David Eisenhower—has produced a masterful depiction of Eisenhower's development into one of the greatest leaders in world history, lending a consummate study of Eisenhower's identity, character, and the reputation he forged as a champion of peace, prosperity, progress, and the middle way.

[VIDEO] You can view the entire presentation via the National Archives' YouTube channel.

Ike's Timeless Legacy

On April 11, 1953, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW), created by Eisenhower, officially came into existence as a cabinet-level department. Eisenhower appointed Oveta Culp Hobby, the first Director of the Women's Auxiliary Army Corps, as the first secretary of the department. This made her the second woman in US history to hold a cabinet position. HEW was the forerunner to today's U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, both of which will neighbor the Eisenhower Memorial, serving as fitting reminders in their own rights of Eisenhower's legacy. As Secretary of HEW, Hobby notably oversaw the approval and distribution of the Salk polio vaccine, an emergency plan to build new schools to meet the baby boomer demand, and expansions in federal hospital and healthcare infrastructure and social security coverage.
"Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired signifies, in the final sense, a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and are not clothed."

- President Eisenhower
April 16, 1953, The Chance for Peace Address

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[VIDEO] This iconic Eisenhower speech is the focus of the E-Memorial Pivotal Moment film "Waging Peace," which features interviews with Ike's grandson David Eisenhower and General Colin Powell, and narration by Tom Brokaw.
MLB Season Opener Special Edition: How many baseball games did Ike attend while in office?

(see answer below)

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**Trivia Answer:** Thirteen. Seven of the thirteen were home
openers of the Washington Senators, for which he threw out the first pitch.

President Eisenhower throws out the first pitch at opening day baseball game as Managers Chuck Dressen (Washington Senators) and Paul Richards (Baltimore Orioles) watch, April 1957
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