

A.F. of L.

The A. F. of L. expels the International Longshoremen. The action, coming after many charges of "crime and corruption" in the Longshoremen's Association. The issue was settled in a vote of the delegates to the A. F. of L. Convention.

Before the vote, President John Ryan of the Association, asked the delegates not to expel his union. He termed the investigation of the New York Crime Commission "unfair."

But in spite of Ryan's appeal, the vote went overwhelmingly against his Union - over seventy thousand to less than eight hundred. Then the Convention approved a plan to charter a new Union for ^{those} longshoremen who want to stay in the A. F. of L.

DURKIN

President Ike's ex-Secretary of Labor charges that the President broke an agreement with him. Today at the A.F. of L. Convention, Martin Durkin made the charge - made it as a delegate of the Plumbers' Union.

According to Durkin, the President first agreed with him about changes in the Taft-Hartley Law. But later the President stated that he had, in the former Secretary's words, "changed his position."

Durkin says this was the reason for his resignation. Made it impossible for him to stay in the Cabinet.

But White House Press Secretary Hagerty insists the President never agreed on suggestions to change the controversial Labor law.

Whereupon a reporter remarked that this implied that Durkin had not been accurate in describing what happened. On that Hagerty made no comment. He just said:- "I don't intend to say any more."

MOSSADEGH

Mossadegh may be executed -- for treason. This from the Teheran Radio. According to the radio, the weeping ex-Premier and his chief aides will be severely punished. And, Mossadegh himself may go to the scaffold.

The radio states that he was guilty of illegal acts against the Shah, and against the Iranian Constitution. Among the charges:- rebelling against the Shah, 'weakening the army,' and driving Iran to the verge of bankruptcy!

And what does Mossadegh say to all this? Well, he insists that he acted only in the interests of his country. He admits he made errors, but denies treason. This information comes after repeated questioning by the military and civil authorities.

The Teheran Radio adds that Mossadegh's trial is a long way off; because of his health. According to the military authorities, a joint trial will be held -

because Mossadegh's aides are implicated with him.

London has a different version. Beaverbook's Daily Express says Mossadegh has already been tried secretly - and sentenced to hang - and that only the Shah can save him now.

PRISONERS

Twenty-three American prisoners want to stay behind the Iron Curtain. Prisoners who succumbed to the "brain washing" to which they were subjected in the prison camps. A dispatch from Panmunjom quotes Communist Correspondent, Wilfred Burchett, as saying that these 23 Americans will never agree to go home. Here's the way the Red newspaperman puts it: "We have tried to persuade them to, but, they want no part of America." Then he adds, "It is my opinion that your explainers will have little success."

He described these 23 Americans as "calm and intelligent" - making a sensible decision for themselves. But other prisoners who have come back say that the rest are mostly young boys, who don't know their own minds.

The American team that will talk to these men is optimistic about persuading them. Says the executive officer of the team, "We are in no position to make a

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prediction as to how successful we may be - but we are optimistic."

In the meantime, there is still no agreement about how to deal with prisoners who refuse to return to their homes. Will interviews be conducted individually, or in groups? Will the interviews be witnessed by both sides? And how is press coverage to be handled? Will reporters be allowed to attend.

These questions have not been answered. But we are insisting that the Reds must not be allowed to conduct individual interviews - all alone with a man. This, because we don't want any of the prisoners to be intimidated.

POLAND

A Polish Bishop ~~is~~ sentenced to twelve years in jail.

According to the Warsaw Radio, Bishop Kaczmarek is guilty of what it calls "espionage, anti-state propaganda, and diversionary activity."

The radio adds that three priests and one nun are convicted on the same charges. *And that!*

R All of the defendants pleaded guilty. It's the same old story of Communist trials - ~~the~~ victims accusing themselves of everything the prosecution wants them to admit. ~~The Bishop's~~

According to Radio Warsaw/
~~confession is much like the Communist "confessions" of the past.~~

~~Here is what~~ the Bishop told the court: "Great is my guilt to the nation and to the state. I would like to devote the rest of my life to wiping out this guilt." ~~That's what he said, according to the Warsaw Radio. The radio, not seeing anything peculiar about the confession.~~

Then The Bishop appealed for leniency, on the grounds that he repented ~~for~~ ^{of} what he had done. And he accepted the verdict of the court with what he termed "repentance and calm." He added the typical line that comes out of almost

every Communist trial. Said he: "I take the liberty of appealing to the court to enable me to realize a new road - the road to constructive rehabilitation of my destructive political past."

One charge against the Bishop - that he conspired with Cardinal Spellman. ^{N.Y.} The ~~Cardinal~~ Cardinal, accused of being a link between Poland, the Vatican, and Washington. Radio Warsaw charges that Cardinal Spellman wanted a "compromise peace" during World War Two, ~~this~~ so that Germany would be free to attack Russia, without danger from ~~leaving~~ the Western front.

~~Bishop Kaczmarek is accused of helping the Cardinal. The~~

Warsaw Radio also states that the Bishop turned his cathedral into an arsenal, ^{including} ~~which even had~~ a wireless station.

So, in the latest Red mockery of justice, a Polish Bishop goes to prison for twelve years. And three priests and a nun are given lesser sentences.

RUSSIA

In the Soviet Union, another big purge. This one, in the Province of Georgia - which has been a trouble spot because of its nationalism. The Georgians have always disliked Russian domination. After Stalin's death, Beria took the ~~part~~ province in hand and purged the Georgian leaders who were regarded as unreliable. The ironic thing being, that both Stalin and Beria were Georgians.

Then Beria fell. Malenkov evidently felt that he must eradicate the last of Beria's followers. And so this purge is directed against those placed in authority by Beria. The entire leadership of the Communist Party ^{in Georgia} ~~is~~ dismissed - including the Premier. Nine top officials removed - and replaced by ^{men specially picked by} ~~men more faithful to the~~ Malenkov, regime.

In London, British experts predict that this will be the last purge in Georgia, as long as the Malenkov dictatorship remains. ~~The experts think~~ that the Kremlin will ^{liquidate all of the other factions.} ~~use this excuse to get rid of all its opponents.~~

The purge is an old story, in the land once ruled by Stalin. So Malenkov is following in the path of the man whom he succeeded as top boss in the Soviet Union.

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REVOLT IN INDONESIA

A dispatch from Jakarta reveals that a Moslem Separatists Movement has broken out in ~~the~~ northern Sumatra. The rebels, members of a fanatical Moslem organization known as "Duralislam". There have been shooting skirmishes in at least seven towns of the ~~xx~~ region. About sixty rebels have been thrown into jail. Trains are running overtime, and the authorities fear that some of them have been attacked by Moslem fanatics. Freight trains have been looted in a number of places.

But so far the Indonesian Army holds all strategic points ~~and~~ ^{with} district capitals are still under government control. The Indonesian Premier announces that everything is being done to restore order.

MIG

That Russian Mig is on the way to America. It was placed aboard a Douglas Globemaster, that huge new plane, which will fly it from Korea. And that seems to end the speculation about what will be done with the Mig! The Reds are sure to demand it back. But, today's word is that our air people have decided we should keep it. So, it's being brought over here, to be tested in flight.

The decision to do it that way came after the pilot revealed that the Reds have been building up their air strength in North Korea; doing it contrary to the truce agreement. The Mig pilot said Russian air-men were flying Migs, and jet bombers, into Korea - with the intention of resuming the war!

Such reinforcements of Communist air power in Korea would violate the armistice agreement, and the Allies of course will protest.

We now know just how the North Korean pilot escaped. He says he had been planning it for three years. While flying with a Mig formation, he decided to peel off - and head for Kimpo Airfield. And, like those Polish fliers, he made it before the other Red airmen realized what was happening;

This pilot says he flew during the fighting - but never succeeding in shooting down any American planes. He states that the Reds were, in his words, "very much afraid of the Sabres - because of the American plane's superior maneuverability and gunsights."

And, what does he say about that reward - the hundred thousand dollars we offered for the delivery of a Mig? He says:- "The reward is not what I was after, - but, I am very glad to hear about it." A hundred grand probably is as big as a million to him!

JET FOLLOW MIG

Meanwhile, a report from Berlin reveals that ^{another} a Polish Jet pilot tried to fly to the West - and failed. According to an anti-Communist information bureau in Berlin, the pilot took his plane up from a Soviet base near the Baltic coast. He ~~is~~ was racing westward, when he was intercepted by three Russian fighters. They shot ^{his} ~~the~~ plane down, and ~~it~~ crashed and exploded.

The report stated that the Kremlin is ^{tightening} increasing security measures - ^{as a result of} ~~this~~ following the escape of ^{the} two other Polish flyers. ^{Apparently} The Reds now ^{realize} know that many of their subjects will go any length to escape from behind the Iron Curtain.

~~— or whoever gives the order —~~
And so Malenkov is ordering precautions, to see that no more get away. ~~any.~~

EISENHOWER

President Eisenhower calls for clothing to help East Germans survive the winter. The President, acting after an urgent request from Chancellor Adenauer. The Chancellor wrote to the President, asking for all kinds of clothing.

And Mr. Eisenhower replied that this country will do what it can. So far, there is no mention of federal aid. The thing ~~to~~ to be done on a voluntary basis. ^{Here are} ~~And, in~~ the President's words, "It is my belief that the American people will gladly and liberally respond."

The two letters were ^{given out} ~~revealed~~ by Press Secretary James Hagerty. According to Hagerty, the President relies on groups like the World Council of Churches and the National Welfare Conference. But Hagerty adds that federal funds may be used later in the drive for clothing. At any rate, ~~so~~ ^{the}

^{President} Eisenhower wants to send clothing to the East Germans - ⁱⁿ ~~the~~ ^{much the} same way that ~~as~~ we have already sent food packages.

"RUSSIAN"

Today, a "Russian pilot" caused a lot of turmoil in Illinois. At least, he looked like a Russian pilot, because he was testing defense measures. The man involved is Withold Glinski, a member of the U.S. Air Force. The report is that Air Intelligence officers wanted to test liaison between the State Police and the Air Force. So, Glinski was chosen to play the part of a Russian. He was dressed in an Air Force outfit, with a winter Army cap. A cap with fur earflaps; on each flap a hammer and sickle on a red star. Which made him look ~~XXXX~~ Russian alright! In this garb Glinski walked into a State Police headquarters, where he "surrendered", and at once put in the county jail, while the police in Springfield and at O'Hare Airport in Chicago, were notified. The Airport promptly rushed "interrogators" to the scene.

So far so good. But then a report of ^{what} ~~what~~ had

happened was put on the State Police radio. At once, rumors began to circulate. A Russian spy captured! - a Russian pilot had flown a Mig all the way to Illinois! - and so on! Calls from police of other states began to pour in. Everyone who had heard the radio, naturally was anxious to find out just what had happened.

Finally, an Air Intelligence officer straightened things out - revealing that Mr. Glinski was taking part in a dress rehearsal - that the "Russian pilot" was just a member of our own Air Force. Did that end it? Oh no!

The Illinois Civil Defense Director wasn't satisfied. Said he: " If that was the brainchild of Air Intelligence - and I don't see much intelligence about it!" So he grumbled.

And now Mike, tell us something to keep us from grumbling.