

L.T.-K. Wednesday, May 12, 1954

The testimony at the McCarthy hearing, today, carried the story right into the White House. That Army report, which brought the controversy into the open - was prepared at the request of presidential assistant Sherman Adams. So ~~xx~~ stated by John G. Adams, counsellor for the Army.

He said that on January twenty-first, he had a White House meeting with a group of presidential aides - including Attorney General Brownell, U N ~~xxxx~~ Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge, ~~And~~ - Sherman Adams. He laid before them the trouble with Senator McCarthy and Roy Cohn, because of private Schine. And told them ~~xx~~ of what he called -- a McCarthy ultimatum." Members of the Army loyalty board to be ~~xxxx~~ questioned - on the subject of McCarthy charges of coddling Communists. Counsellor Adams declaring - that this seemed to be "related" to the question of Private Schine. The demands - that Schine be given preferential treatment.

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That led to the suggestion that a report be prepared - outlining the McCarthy Cohn pressure in the case of Schine.

Today, Counsellor ~~John A.~~ Adams testified: "Mr. Sherman Adams (presidential assistant) asked - if I had prepared a written record. ~~When~~ When I replied in the negative, he said - he thought I should prepare one."

So that was the White House meeting - which, apparently, launched the Army report that started the public rumpus.

(Counsellor Adams, today, made the most striking and definite accusations thus far. He repeated, in positive terms, the charge that Roy Cohn ~~threat~~ threatened to "wreck the army" and have Army Secretary Stevens ousted from his job, if Schine was sent overseas.)

Adams described a strange scene - and it sounded mighty strange. He repeated, what he heard previously - that Senator McCarthy on his own, seemed little concerned

about Private Schine. But it was different when McCarthy and Cohn were together. At a luncheon in New York, Cohn became, in Adams words, "extremely abusive." Uttering violent threats, using obscene language. Which was directed, not only at Adams - but also, sometimes at McCarthy. From the description of the ~~STAR~~ strange scene, you might get the impression that Cohn wanted to intimidate both Adams and McCarthy.

Adams testified that, after lunch, Cohn drove him and McCarthy uptown in Cohn's automobile. And finally, as good as ordered Adams out of the car. Adams said he later learned that further on, Cohn virtually put McCarthy out of the automobile.

Meanwhile, the committee has decided against holding night sessions. Won't have them- at least for the present.



EISENHOWER MCCARTHY

President Eisenhower, today, expressed his opinion of the Army Intelligence officer, who, ~~xxx~~ allegedly, gave secret FBI information to Senator McCarthy. The President calling it - insubordination, and reprehensible.

Senator McCarthy says the officer did it - because he felt the army was not acting on the FBI information about Communists. The President retorts that, in such a case, the officer could have made a protest at the inspector General's office.

( We hear the Army is investigating, trying to find the culprit. Probably he'd be liable to court-martial, for passing secret FBI information along to a Senator.

Today, President Eisenhower declared that the Army is perfectly capable of digging out any security risks in its own ranks, ~~But~~ - an occasional inquiry from Congress could be useful. The President quoted an old army saying: "That which is not inspected - deteriorates." )



WISCONSIN

Senator McCarthy is famous for the trouble he starts, or gets into. And now - his home town is having a lot of trouble. Appleton, Wisconsin - where, today, the Sheriff was accused of something really outrageous. The citizens indignant - demanding that Sheriff Lyman Clark be ousted. The public - in an uproar.

But what did the sheriff do? Well, for one thing, he's accused of having served oleomargarine to the prisoners in the county jail. Appleton is in the Wisconsin Dairy country, producing butter, and the very word "oleomargarine"

*is anathema in Wisconsin - is like a red rag to a bull in a Spanish bull ring.*

The sheriff is charged with other misdemeanors.

But, the oleomargarine! - that's the real outrage at Appleton.

Today, the county authorities demanded that Governor Kohler of Wisconsin call a grand jury investigation. So maybe they'll have a hearing at Appleton, with "point of order" and "Mr. Chairman." Proceedings dragging on for weeks. Nothing - about the Army coddling Communists. But

- about the Sheriff coddling oleomargarine. Which  
certainly would be a laugh - in Joe McCarthy's home town.

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SENATOR

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EISENHOWER-INDO CHINA

President Eisenhower today said - that this country had no notion of writing off Indo China. However, plans are being made to defend the rest of southeastern Asia, if Indo China does fall.

This was presidential comment on a declaration made by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles - who said, on Tuesday - that, in his opinion, southeastern Asia could be held, without Indo China.

In France, this was interpreted as meaning - that the United States regards Indo China as lost. But the President explains the Secretary merely meant that we won't give up in southeastern Asia, no matter what.



## DESIGNER

Last week, testimony before a congressional committee told about the German engineer who designed the Russian jet fighter, the M-I-G Fifteen. Saying - that Siegfried Guenther had been rejected by the United States. All of which is confirmed, with details, in a dispatch from Germany, today.

The story is told by the German aircraft designer Ernst Heinkel, who says that the jet expert, Guenther, actually worked with the Americans for five months, back in Nineteen Forty-five. But then - was let out. After which - he tried repeatedly to get back into the service of the West - but failed.

He was destitute, unemployed, unable to make a living. Although Siegfried Guenther was, in Heinkel's words - "the most prominent aerodynamics expert that Europe possessed."

To the very end, he hoped - the West would employ him. Then, desperate and penniless, he offered his expert

services to the Russians. Who jumped at the ~~same~~ chance -  
and that's how the German authority ~~of~~ on jet became the  
designer of the Soviet M I G fifteen, so <sup>(prominent)</sup> ~~present~~ in the  
Korean war.

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## EARTHQUAKE

Greece - hit by an earthquake again. This one --  
devastating villages in the western Peloponnesus, the southern  
peninsula of Greece, *— the land of ancient sparta.* Thousands fleeing, as their homes shook  
and collapsed. Little loss of life, apparently - but a great  
deal of damage.

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ICE BOX

In Boston, the first Massachusetts complaint against the owner of an abandoned ice box. Edward Rose, accused under a law passed last year, Requiring that the door must be removed from any refrigerator that's left in disuse.

This follows the trapping of a nine year old girl, thrust into an old ice box by some playful boys -- who forgot about her. ~~She~~<sup>She</sup> was in the refrigerator for an hour-and-a-half -- when, luckily, a couple of other boys heard a faint tapping. She was just able to rap on the door - and that saved her.



MILK

Governor Dewey comes forward with a program -

for dealing with the high price of coffee. Drink ~~alike~~ milk,

*folks!*  
~~instead~~

Milk is healthier, cheaper, and more plentiful.

Governor Dewey urging - that we switch from coffee

*- oh not all the time - say*  
to milk, ~~at least~~ one meal per day. That would help

to bring down the price of coffee, and would, at the same

time, be a boon for dairy farming. Which, in New York state

alone, is an industry in the billion-and-a-half dollar class.

*Sw.*  
Well, ~~Sw.~~ Dewey is a dairy farmer, himself -

a neighbor of ours up in Dutchess County, and I can testify

to the up to date efficiency of the dairy farm he runs. So

he knows what he's talking about, when he tells of the

benefit ~~to~~ to farmers - if we'd switch from coffee to milk.

*And -*  
~~while~~ at the same time, bringing down the high price of

coffee.

## COFFEE

Nationwide reports on coffee show - that some grocers are selling it at a loss. To retain - the good-will of the customers. Retailing coffee at prices below cost - so ~~fm~~ as to bring people into their stores.

There are various reports - of a buyer's revolt.

In some sections of New York City, for example, coffee sales have dropped as much as forty percent.

In the trade, price predictions vary. The Pan-American Coffee Bureau thinks - that prices will remain about the same for some time to come. Other sources believe - that coffee will go up to more than a dollar and a half a pound.



## DUEL

At Shamrock, Oklahoma, today, Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Johnson wondered - what on earth had got into their husbands? Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Johnson are neighbors - and, last night, attended a meeting of the parent-teachers association. Their husbands? - <sup>Oh - they went</sup> going off to a local tavern.

So ~~is~~ here's what happened later, in Arthur Simpson's back yard. The floodlights were on - and, in the glare, the two men fought a duel. Simpson - shot six times. Johnson - hit by ten bullets. Both - in the hospital. Seriously wounded.

A neighbor says they simply appeared in the floodlights. One, armed with a pistol, the other with a rifle. And - started shooting at each other. Each - firing until he collapsed.

At the hospital today, their wives had coffee together. Still the best of friends, remarking <sup>- that they guessed</sup> their husbands must have got mad about something.

## BURMESE ACTRESS

A dispatch from London tells of an American movie outfit - having difficulties with a Burmese actress. They are making a picture with a Burmese angle, and imported a beautiful star - from Rangoon. Win Min Than - with great melting black eyes. And those Burmese gals - many of them - really are lovely by the Old Moulmein Pagoda, looking lazy at the sea -- either with or without the big white cheroot.

Playing in a scene with Gregory Peck, Win Min Than was supposed to sigh and say:- "I love you with a**ll** my heart." Instead, she burst out laughing. They asked her - "What's so funny about that?"

"Loving with the heart," giggled Win Min Than.

"Everybody knows," she went on, "that you love with the liver!"

That, she explained, is the way love is in Burma - a sentiment of the liver. The heart? - Oh, that's just another example of the ignorance of the West.

Which completely flabbergasted Gregory Peck, the producer, the script writer, everybody. Instead of a broken



heart, a broken liver.

So, according to the Burmese way - the heroine should sigh: "I love you with all my liver." The music - no, not hearts and flowers, Mike. Liver and onions - I mean - liver and flowers!