

of suspense
Tonight a cloud hangs over the City of

Hanoi -- ~~the atmosphere is tense~~ waiting for the Reds to

begin their siege. [The news from Indo China tells of

six Communist Divisions closing in on Hanoi. Three

divisions, sweeping through the southern Delta from

where the French recently withdrew. Three more

divisions moving down from the North. The six

divisions are now only some twenty miles from Hanoi.

And that's near enough to begin a real siege whenever

they want to.

The French command announces more with-

drawals, to strengthen the defense. In the ^{Hanoi-}~~Haiphong~~

Haiphong area soldiers are bivouacked in parks and empty

lots, some camped in gardens across from the Royal

Palace. French officers hurriedly trying to organize

all their forces into a single defense system.

The plan now is to emphasize fire power.

Rifles, artillery and tanks - to be packed in as closely

as possible. The French Command claiming - that superior

fire power will enable them to hold Hanoi.

But the situation is complicated - by more than one hundred thousand refugees. Peasants fleeing from the Red advance. Crowding into Hanoi for safety. The French, of course, have to take care of the refugees - right at the time when they ^{are} frantically preparing to meet a Communist siege.

CHOU

The Peiping radio announces - a meeting between the Premier of China and the Leader of the Reds in Indo-China. Chou En-Lai and Ho Chi Minh, conferring secretly at the border between their countries. No word about just when the meeting was held - or what the two Red Leaders discussed, ^{— of course.} But presumably, they talked about ~~the~~ a possible Armistice between the French and the Indo-Chinese Rebels.

CHURCHILL

When Winston Churchill arrived at Southampton today, he made a rather luke-warm statement about what he achieved in Washington. The gist of it being: "We have not entirely failed." That statement was interpreted in Britain as a warning not to expect any spectacular results from the Churchill Eisenhower conference.

Sir Winston was cheered enthusiastically as he came ashore, and again when his train arrived at Waterloo station where he was met by Mrs. Churchill and our Ambassador to London, Winthrop Aldrich.

KNOWLAND

Today, Senate Republican Leader, ~~xxxxxxxx~~
Knowland, conferred with Secretary of State Dulles,
The California Senator, asking the Secretary for
information - about a possible withdrawal from the UN,
if Red China is admitted.

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Afterward, / Knowland said that he consulted
Sec.
/ Dulles on information for Congressional Committees.

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The Senator, describing the Secretary as anxious to
keep Mao Tse Tung, out of the UN. But Knowland added,
necessarily
that this does not / mean the State Department will back
him - if he carries out his threat to campaign against
our participation in the UN.

Add KNOWLAND

The Senator also talked with President Eisenhower today - giving the President a review of how the senate has opposed the admission of Red China in the past. According to Knowland, the upper chamber has voted three times on the issue - each time opposing Mao Tse without a dissenting vote.

EVANGELIST

Evangelist Billy Graham arrived home today aboard the Queen Mary, full of enthusiasm about his European tour. He had preached in seven nations -- all the way from Britain to Finland. In London alone, he addressed more than two million persons. What does he report? People everywhere eager to hear what he had to say. Therefore, Billy Graham believes his tour proves that there is a spiritual awakening going on in Europe. He calls it "a hunger for God." "The Golden Hour of the Church is at hand," says the famous evangelist. He even thinks this new interest in religion may prevent another World War.

SOLDIERS

The Army is asking the State Department for help in the case of the seven American soldiers who were seized by the Czechs on July Fourth.

The names, not released. All we know is that a Captain and six enlisted men wanted to see what the Iron Curtain Frontier looked like. Apparently they lost their way; crossed over into Czechoslovakia, and were picked up by Czech guards.

Normally, anyone who makes such a mistake - is returned in a day or two. But, this time, the Czechs refused to turn the seven men over to the American Army. They want to make a deal. Our seven men to be released - if we hand over the three Czech refugees who fled to the West last week.

Which puts a tough decision up to our State Department. There is no connection between the two cases. The Czechs who fled, did so of their own volition, refugees from Red tyranny. The American soldiers just got lost. Anyway, the Army hopes the State Department will do something about it.

GUATEMALA

Tonight, Guatemala has a new government. An announcement of who are to be in the new cabinet. The Junta, headed by Colonels Monzon and Castillo-Armas includes eleven cabinet ministers. Including three Army officers - and of course no Communists. All we know of the new government politically is, that every member ■■ is an anti-Communist. The Junta announces that all funds belonging to former President Arbenz are frozen, pending an investigation. Also, the funds belonging to about a hundred officials in the Arbenz government.

ATROCITIES follow GUATEMALA

More information about Red atrocities committed before the Arbenz government fell. In Guatemala City, testimony from the man once known as "The Chief Executioner". Reginaldo Achila, ~~was~~ once one of the most feared men in his country. He carried out orders from the top men in the police - the Reds who are now in hiding as refugees.

Achila admits that he tortured political

In his words: prisoners. ~~xxxxxxx~~ "I may have beaten a few prisoners - but they made me do it. I only followed orders." ^{so confesses} ~~xxxxxxx~~ the former "Chief Executioner"

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But he ~~xxxxxxx~~/claims ~~that~~ he never killed anyone.

however, He admits, that he witnessed what he terms "many murders" by the Communist Secret Police. According to Achila, most of the victims were drowned in bath tubs - held under by a team of Communist "executioners." ~~that~~

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were shot at Police Headquarters. But this so called "Chief Executioner" says he had nothing to do with that. That someone else directed all the murders.

The new government is prosecuting Achila, and Colonel Castillo-Armas has promised - that Red criminals will be punished, and "Chief Executioner" Achila is one of those who will be put on trial.

Atomic

President Eisenhower moves, to prevent a strike at key plants of the Atomic Energy Commission. The President creating a special board of inquiry - to investigate conditions at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and Paducah, Kentucky.

The President
~~Mr. Eisenhower~~

took the step after A.E.C. Chairman Strauss informed him - that a strike would endanger the nation. xT
Then Mr Eisenhower used a provision of the Taft-Hartley law - setting up a fact finding board - after which he can ask a court injunction to frobid a strike.

The unions at Oak Ridge and Paducah had threatened to begin their strike at midnight tonight. But under the Taft-Hartley law, the President can hold off a walk-out for eighty days - if he asks for an injunction.

SUBSTITUTE MCCARTHY

General Mark Clark will receive the data on the Central Intelligence Agency - gathered by McCarthy sub-committee. So says the Wisconsin Senator - who had threatened the C.I.A. himself. But former President Hoover has appointed General Mark Clark to direct a survey of the bureau headed by Allen Dulles. McCarthy says he has complete faith in Clark - and does not want to carry on a parallel investigation. So he'll give the ~~data~~ the General the sub-committee information. The general says he'll be glad to receive any information the McCarthy sub-committee has. He said this to newsmen in Charleston, South Carolina - where he's head of the Citadel Military College.

BROWNELL

The Senate Judiciary Committee - turns down an appeal from Attorney General Brownell. The Attorney General asked for stronger authority in dealing with subversives. He wanted permission to outlaw any Red-dominated labor union, or any business firm acting against the security in this country.

But the bill passed by the Committee is much weaker. It would ~~not~~ allow Red-dominated organizations to continue - merely compelling them to identify themselves. And labor unions would only be denied appeal to the National Labor Relations Board - until they got rid of their Communist element.

EARTHQUAKE

The earthquake in California, and Nevada, today, is described as rumbling like a jet plane.

A series of tremors, jostling and shaking an area of about one hundred fifty thousand square miles.

The place hit hardest - Fallon, Nevada.

At least twenty-five buildings in Fallon were damaged.

Sidewalks cracked. Water spouting from broken mains

In one place, a twenty foot section of a highway - dropped down about a foot.

Also the Coleman Dam on the Carson River was knocked out. The quake, smashing a hole in the Dam - then the water, washing the rest of the dam away.

No one killed. But a number were injured. Including, some sailors who were asleep at the Fallon Air Station.

SHARK

The latest fish story from St. Petersburg, Florida.

Captain J. B. Matthews had aboard his charter boat some fifty passengers. About fifty miles out in the Gulf of Mexico - he spotted a whale - shark - the world's ~~xx~~ largest fish. This one, ~~xx~~ about forty five feet long. The skipper manoeuvred alongside, and the First Mate snagged it with a grappling hook attached to the anchor chain.

And then, swish! Away they ~~xx~~ went. That whale shark pulled that big boat for eighteen miles, out into the Gulf of Mexico. Eventually, Captain Matthews had to radio for help. Whereupon a fishing boat came out and took off all but fifteen of the passengers. The fifteen saying they'd stay aboard the charter boat - if it took a week to hail ~~ix~~ in that forty-five foot fish - whale shark.

So the ~~fight~~ went on for hours. Until even the anchor chain snapped. ~~ix~~

And that's quite a true story -- of a really big one that got away.

ERROL FLYNN

A British Judge orders movie star, Errol Flynn, to pay his landlady - or go to jail. The landlady claims the actor owes^s her more than one hundred dollars. And so she sued him in a London Court.

Errol Flynn was not on hand, when the decision was handed down. But he sent a ~~very~~ vitriolic letter, which was read to the Court by Judge Edgar Dale.

In the letter, Errol Flynn said that he didn't know he was being sued. And he accused his landlady ~~of~~ over-charging him for the use of her home. He added; that she had cheated the Inland Revenue.

All this was read aloud by the Judge. But part of the letter his Honor refused to read, saying: "He puts a lot in this letter I had better not read out - in any case, it's just vulgar abuse," *said he.*

Anyway, the letter didn't convince the Judge.

He handed down the decision on the Landlady vs. Errol

Ordering
Flynn. - the movie star, to pay up or go to jail.

V_C

In London, a little girl stole the show today when more than two hundred persons gathered at Buckingham Palace - to receive honors ~~was~~ awarded by Queen Elizabeth on her birthday. But, little Susan Curtis was the only one specially honored - that is received by the Queen in private.

Susan, the daughter of Lieutenant Philip Curtis - who ~~was~~ won the Victoria Cross in the Far East. In fact he was killed there - in Korea. Ordinarily the widow would have been invited to the Palace to receive the V.C. But, Mrs. Curtis died at about the same time.

So that left only Susan. While all the others stood in line today - Susan was taken to the dining room in Buckingham Palace. There the Queen told her about her father's bravery, and then handed the little girl a box containing the Victoria Cross, Britain's highest award.

Mike
Then, when the Queen entered the State

Ballroom, to decorate the others, she was accompanied

by seven year old Susan - carrying her father's

Victoria Cross. Susan who had a private audience

with the Queen.