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The United States welcomes the disarmament proposals made by Soviet Russia. Not only that, we ~~intend~~ introduce a plan of our own. That's the late news from Flushing Meadows, where American Delegate, Former Senator Warren Austin, has just outlined ~~to~~ what this country proposes as a supplement to Molotov's declaration yesterday.

And, We go the Soviets one better. Molotov, in calling for disarmament and the outlawing of the atomic bomb, failed to mention any measures to be taken to be sure that the nations ~~x~~ were really carrying out their pledges to disarm -- ~~not~~ atomically and otherwise. The Soviets are not noted for any eagerness ~~about~~ having their affairs looked into, and Molotov did not say -- "We're quite willing, Gentlemen, to have the United Nations examine the way we disarm and refrain from atomic activities for war."

That deficiency was made up by our delegate late this afternoon -- he proposing a system of inspection, to be sure that nations were keeping their

pledges. ^{Sen.} Austin put it in these words: "The United States urges disarmament. The United States believes that Mr. Molotov's proposal should be placed on our agenda and fully considered and ~~x~~ discussed. The United ~~xxx~~ States," ~~he~~ went on, "advocates ~~xxxx~~ effective safeguards by way of inspection and other means to protect the complying states against the hazards of violation and evasion."

All of which was pretty clear. -- We don't intend to give up our weapons, ~~xxx~~ especially our atomic weapons, unless we establish means to be sure that other countries are keeping their share of the bargain.

This applied likewise to Molotov's demand that all countries should go on record about the number of troops they are keeping in non-enemy countries, like the British in Egypt and ourselves in China and the Philippines. Austin said -- sure, ~~xxx~~ we'll be delighted. The Western Democracies will tell their whole story, if the Soviets will disclose their own -- and give exact information about the number of Soviet Troops in

the occupied countries of Eastern Europe, behind the Iron Curtain. Of course, Stalin has said - sixty divisions. But more and more the question is asked -- how big is a division?

Today's American reply to the Soviet Foreign Minister's declaration of yesterday made little retort to the bitter things that Molotov said. However, the news today has been telling of resentful reactions in the U.N. Assembly because of Molotov's charges that the United States and Great Britain were playing an egotistical and selfish game, with a policy of doing the Soviets wrong. There was especial indignation against Molotov's aspersions cast upon the American plan for outlawing the atomic bomb -- aspersions cast ~~xxx~~ personally on the American who presented the plan, Barney Baruch. Today, Australia came vigorously to the Defense of the Baruch Plan saying that it was offered in what the Australian Delegate called -- "Good faith and with honest motives for the benefit of humanity."

~~In Washington, meanwhile, we hear that the~~

ADD-U-N Referring to Sen. Austin's address, Said a French spokesman tonight: "It was fine. I was worried after Molotov's speech but now I feel much better." ~~There is a will to discuss it and negotiate.~~

Latin American reaction ~~was~~ warm. One Latin American delegate calling it "the best speech ever delivered to this assembly."

Then too there was the voice of far ~~in~~ off Iran. Nasrullah Entezan saying, "this was a speech the people have been waiting for."

Spokesman for two Slav countries, Yugoslavia and Poland, were non-committal on the Austin speech -- non-committal but obviously unhappy that the American delegate had taken the ball from their champion.

Dr. L. M. Medved of the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic allowed himself to be quoted as follows: "It was a good speech -- a good speech".

We wonder what Molotov and the Kremlin will say about it?

B-29s.

that proposed mass flight of B-29 bombers, around the world, may be called off -- because of opposition in the State Department. This opposition is said to be based on the contention that the flight of the B-29s ~~as~~ as planned might be regarded by Soviet Russia as a hostile and provocative gesture.

PALESTINE

There's a wild melodrama of terrorism in the news from Jerusalem. Today, at the Central Railroad Station of the Holy City, the phone rang and a man's voice gave a warning -- the Railroad Station was about to be blown up. The man at the other end of the wire identified himself as - Private of "Irgun Zvai Leumi". ~~There is,~~ The Terrorist Organization of the Zionist Underground.

This warning was not taken lightly. In the past, the Extremists of Irgun Zvai Leumi had given similar warnings in advance -- warnings to save lives of people who might otherwise be killed by explosions, and the explosions had occurred. So today the British authorities immediately ordered the Central Railway Station of Jerusalem ~~to be~~ evacuated - ^{- all} people were ~~got~~ out forty ~~min~~ minutes after the warning. ^{Then -} a taxicab drew up at the station, and two young men and a young woman got out. They had a suitcase, and appeared to be passengers. An Arab policeman was on duty -- presumably a guard to keep people away from the station. He went

to the three who seemed to be passengers, and inquired about the contents of the suitcase. Thereupon, the young woman drew a pistol and shot at him. She missed, and the Arab policeman ran for help.

The two men and the woman moved swiftly. They placed the suitcase in the Railroad Station, and made a dash to their taxicab for a getaway. In a few moments, there was a series of explosions - five bombs in the suitcase blowing up and wrecking the station. A British Sergeant was killed and at least twelve persons are missing -- buried in the wreckage, presumably. Apparently in spite of the order to evacuate, some people were still in the Station when the explosions occurred.

Meanwhile, the taxicab with the three Terrorists was hurrying away -- under a hail of bullets. Policemen and soldiers were shooting at it. Later the taxicab was found abandoned, near the King David Hotel -- which had previously been blown up in a disastrous act of terrorism. Inside the cab blood was found - indicating that at least one of the

Extremists had been hit in the shooting.^{TP} This melodramatic deed of terrorism has an added portentous meaning, because of the fact that it followed an official Jewish announcement outlawing the Extremists of the Zionist Underground. A few hours before the blowing up of the Jerusalem Central Railroad Station, the Jewish Agency issued a denunciation of what it called - "Terror for terror's sake."^{TP} The Zionist Council severed all ties with what it called - "Groups of Terrorists who defy national discipline and place themselves outside the ranks of the organized community." So the Iigun Zv^{ai}keumi was outlawed by official Zionism, and immediately responded with a culminating act of terror.^{TP} And this was only part of a new campaign of violence -- the news from Jerusalem telling also of an explosion that happened on a bridge. Two British Army trucks, crowded with soldiers, drove on to a bridge in a suburb of North Jerusalem. An Arab truck followed the two British vehicles. There was a violent explosion, as the British trucks were blown up by a mine -- two soldiers killed, one fatally injured, fifteen others

GOERING

In Germany the Allied Control Council has decided not to publish the three suicide notes left by Goering. All copies of these will be destroyed, and the originals placed in secret archives of the Council.

The word from Germany is that the decision not to make the notes public is based on the contents of one of them. Two are said to be harmless. One addressed to Goering's wife, the other to the Commandant of the Nuremburg prison. But the third, addressed to the German people, is of a propaganda nature, Goering's political last will and testament. This, if published, might help to keep alive the Hitler philosophy of Naziism.

COTTON

There certainly seems to be something wrong with King Cotton. Today the cotton exchange closed down, once again -- the second time in two weeks. This followed another break in the market -- cotton prices dropping ten dollars a bale. That makes a recent over-all plunge of fifty dollars a bale.

President Truman today held conferences on the subject of cotton. He said that the collapse of the market threatens the economy of the south. Southern Senators are calling upon the Government to take action to sustain the price of Dixieland's chief product.

The collapse of cotton is all the more remarkable because the south is having a poor crop -- below normal. So it is hardly a matter of ~~XXXXX~~ oversupply, and the economic doctors are trying to diagnose -- what's wrong with King Cotton.

SURPLUS

In Washington today, a prize story was told in the current scandals about the sale of surplus goods left over from the war. A committee of the House of Representatives is investigating cases in which surpluses were sold at absurdly low prices.

Today's testimony revealed how some left-over ^{is} machinery was sold by the government at a price of five-thousand,- six-hundred-and-fifty-dollars -- for scrap. This machinery then went down the line, through the hands of a junkman and some speculators, and was finally sold to a steel company for more than two-hundred-and-twenty-four-thousand dollars.

No wonder they're investigating scandals in the sale of surplus war supplies.

ELECTION

In Crescent City, California, only five days remain before general elections, and among other things, they are going to vote for a sheriff. It's a close race and that's the reason for the revolvers. - Not the old-time pearl handled six-shooters, but business-like Army-type thirty-eights.

Returning veterans in this county seat *at the northwestern tip of* ~~near the northeastern tip of~~ California, have their ideas about who should be sheriff. A hotly disputed election is expected, and the vets have appealed to Governor Warren and Attorney General Kenny for protection against threatened violence on election day. Governor Warren is out of the State. So is Attorney General Kenny. So the vets are carrying guns. They say they don't want any shooting, but they *add that* ~~say~~ they are going to have a fair election.

LOVE CLUB

In England they've unmasked a conspiracy against -- marriage. The plot took the form of a love club, the purpose, ~~of which was~~ to promote surreptitious romances among married people -- on a nationwide scale. A threat to the happy homes of England.

The Love Club communicated secretly with women -- to promote romance with married men. Straying husbands were pictured as the ideal cavaliers of sentimental sighing. Dates were arranged -- all with a paraphernalia of secret signs and symbols, crosses marked on doors, mysterious meetings between people with cabalistic names.

The police got onto the plot against matrimony when a "handsome ^{young} woman of Sheffield" received a letter which began: "If you are lonely or neglected or if you wish for a more thrilling life, we can help you." The letter went on to tell of the ~~love~~ Club, with its membership of married men. "These", said the letter, "pay one pound and five shillings per month, six months in advance. By stipulating this," the letter explained,

"we get the most ~~sporty and~~ select married men." Out of the accumulated fees, the letter went on, bonuses were paid to the women members of the ~~Love~~ Club.

This enticing information was followed by instructions for joining -- instructions full of mystery. "If you're interested and wish to join, mark two crosses on your door, and we will send you a letter with a special code for making a date."

"The handsome young woman of Sheffield," instead of going into raptures went to the police, and they instructed her to carry on -- and mark two crosses on her front door.

She did, and thereupon got another letter, making a date -- with an errant husband described as follows: "He is very jolly, respectable, and happily married. We are sure you will like him. He'll be known to you as A-3. You will be Z-4." So they had it all fixed up, from A. To Z.

The lady was told to go to a certain place, and there the jolly, respectable and happily married

man would meet her. She was given a set of pass words, as follows: "He will say, "Dark night." You say - "Z-4". And he will say, "A-3." That would be the beginning of the romance.

"The handsome young woman of Sheffield" followed these instructions -- with the police keeping an eye on the proceedings. At the appointed place, a man ~~XXXXX~~ approached her and said -- "Dark night." She responded according to instructions - Mr. A-3 meeting Mrs. Z-4. At that moment the Bobbies walked up and arrested Mr. A-3 and today, in court, the secret was divulged.^{TP} Who was Mr. A-3?

The answer solved the mystery of the Love Club, the conspiracy against the institution of marriage.

Its entire emembership consisted of Mr. A-3!
He, separately and ~~ixxi~~ individually, was all of those husbands in quest of romance. He had founded the love club for the purpose of fixing up a lot of dates for himself. His name is John Swift, and he was swift all right. Is he married? Sure - he's ~~amuch~~ a married husband,

who ran a one-man campaign against the sacrament of matrimony. So that's the secret that has worried England, the secret of the Love Club and Mr. A.-3

And now ~~Mr~~ Nelson Case who always has something of interest to say to the ladies.

CABLE

The British Navy in Asiatic waters is in a state of acute embarrassment, after being victimized in one of the most extraordinary piracies on record. Word comes from Singapore that sea robbers have stolen four miles of submarine cable. They picked it up from the bottom of the sea, four miles off the British Navy's special armored cable, a main communication link out of Singapore.

The boldness of the robbery has the British Navy speechless. The pirates fished up the cable, cut it, and hoisted more than four miles of it into a boat. They made one of the cuts, sawing the cable in two, at a point only seven hundred yards from a main Singapore cable station on shore.

In the station, to make it worse, the Chief Engineer was testing at the moment. He knew something was wrong -- but then cables do break sometimes, so he thought there must have been some kind of accident.

Today, Chief Engineer John ~~Wankam~~ Cochrane said: "They were sawing it ^{at} the exact time I was testing -- but who

would expect somebody to steal cable off the floor of the sea."

To which he adds, "The cable was over three inches in diameter and would have required a straight lift of over ten tons to ~~lx~~ pick it up." Yet the Pirates picked it up and got away with it. The armored cable is expensive stuff, and four miles of it means a lot of copper and valuable steel wire. It is believed that the pirates intend to melt down the copper and sell the steel wire on the Asiatic black market.

Well, maybe the British Navy can take some comfort in the fact that, while the ~~the~~ stealing of submarine cable may seem to be remarkable indeed - it has happened before. Way back in Eighteen Fifty-Three, an experimental cable was laid across the English Channel, and a French fisherman stole a mile of it. He happened to pick it up, and thought it was a new kind of black seaweed - filled with ~~gmxkx~~ gold. Well, the cable was black, and when out of curiosity he cut it, he saw the ~~gmxkx~~ yellow red glint of copper inside. - like gold. So that French fisherman

CABLE -3

took home about a mile of the cable, only to be disillusioned, presently, about the strange new seaweed filled with gold.

LEAD - U.N.

C.I. - Sumner and P. & S. Thurs., Oct. 31, 1946.

The Steering Committee of the Assembly of the U. N. today accepted without opposition the Russian proposal for dealing with world disarmament and for abolition of atomic warfare; in fact, approved on a motion by the British delegate. Also, the Assembly went on record as recognizing the need for a general reduction of armaments. It also agreed that the production and use of atomic energy for military purposes should be prohibited.

The existence of the United Nations is being threatened because an Anglo-Saxon majority is trying to monopolize the Security Council. Also that same Anglo-Saxon majority is trying to dominate the world with its monopoly of the atomic bomb. So said the Ukrainian delegate today. And, he added, that the protest against the veto -- that's just a part of the same scheme for world domination.

He also spoke about the way public opinion is prepared for a new war in this country. With propaganda carried on under the eyes of governments that helplessly say they are unable to do anything because we have freedom of speech, and freedom of the press. Therefore, the Ukrainian concludes that such freedom of speech and of the press is bad, because it permits the voices of the advocates of peace to be drowned out by warmongers.

COMMONS

In London member of the ~~British~~ House of Commons made a speech today which sounds like oil poured on the troubled fires of international distrust. He said that if another world war loomed, ~~we~~ Great Britain ought to be the first to attack, attack by surprise. He said this in the course of a debate on Prime Minister Attlee's bill to modernize the military establishment of Great Britain. ^{A bill to} ~~it would~~ create a new Ministry of Defense, such as has been suggested over here, one ministry ^{is over} ~~having command of the~~ navy, army and air force.

The legislator who made ^{the} ~~that astounding~~ speech is a Major Edward A.H. Legge-Bourke, ~~Nobody over here has ever heard of him before. He was emphatically in favor of the bill, and~~ ^{who} argued that the weapons of war today are developed so fast and their effect so great, that the British people ^{simply couldn't} ~~cannot~~ afford to wait until war comes before ^{going into action. That} ~~they do something about it,~~ Britain must

never again wait to become the victim of an aggressor.

At any rate The Commons
~~The up shot of the talking was that the House~~

approved Attlee's measure, ^{and} voted for the new ^{overall} Ministry of

^{- voted it}
Defense _^ unanimously.

UNRRA

A special commission has been investigating the activities of UNRRA, in Jugoslavia, and that commission returned to Washington today with a favorable report. Its members declaring that most of the two million tons of supplies we've sent to the Jugoslavs have gone to the people for whom they were intended.

Also, that the Jugoslavs are being told that the help is coming from the United States. It was a three-man commission, and they spent ten days in Jugoslavia.

All of which differs considerably from an article in the current Saturday Evening Post, entitled, "Sell-Out in Jugoslavia." According to that article, UNRRA, in Jugoslavia, has become an instrument of ill-will against the United States, not because of its program but because of its own staff members. The author, Leo D. Hochstetter, spent four months in Jugoslavia as Director of Public Information for UNRRA.

He declares that the United States and other democratic countries are being sold out by Communists and Communist sympathizers. That these have infiltrated into a number of key positions in UNRRA, in Jugoslavia.

FRANCE

The six hundred and twenty-five thousand German prisoners of war still in France are becoming more and more of a headache to the French government. The report is that most of them believe the Fatherland is already on the high road to power again. And, they are organizing strikes, committing acts of sabotage, escaping and causing endless trouble. Thirty thousand have succeeded in escaping so far. And another thirty thousand tried and failed. The rest are in a ferment.

It has been suggested that those who are not fanatical Nazis should be kept in France as civilian workers, to help offset the French labor shortage. But the Labor Minister says that won't work; that if you put German workers in factories with French workers, the Germans will all be dead in a month.

Are the French de-Nazifying those P. W.'s? Evidently they are making no headway at all. On the day of the Nuremberg executions, thousands of those German prisoners of war in France wore black arm bands at their work.

WATSON

The second conviction in the case of the theft of one million, five hundred thousand dollars' worth of jewels from the House of Hesse. Major David F. Watson, associated in the charge with Wac Captain Durant and her husband, Colonel Jack Durant, was found guilty today, sentenced to three years of hard labor, ^{plus} ~~also~~ dishonorable discharge.

His defense counsel put up an eloquent plea for him, begged ^{ing} the court-martial not to return ~~that~~ ^{him} to civilian life in disgrace, ~~and~~ ^{his lawyers maintained that} he was a dupe - careless and stupid - but not criminal. ^{with}
 ^{which} The court did not agree.

PALESTINE

In Palestine, a battle has been raging between British soldiers and Jewish underground fighters -- on the main airfield near Jerusalem.

And, all the differences between Irgun Zvai Leumi and the Jewish Hagana army threatened to come to a head today. A few hours before the explosions at the airfield, the Irgun broadcast a warning to Hagana, urging the Hagana not to permit its efforts for peace to degenerate into fratricide. The Irgun's spokesman said they will fight to the last ditch against any attempt of Hagana to isolate Irgun or restrict its activities. The broadcast ended with the words: "We shall fight Britain, plus any Jews who join their ranks."

While the Jerusalem battle was on, British warships were intercepting another transport carrying a thousand Jews on their way to Palestine.

ALLIS-CHALMERS

Still more violence at the strike-bound Allis-Chalmers Farm Equipment Plant in Milwaukee.

Fighting occurred for the fourth successive day when striking United Automobile workers enlisted the aid of other unions to halt a back-to-work movement.

Earlier tonight, between three and four thousand men were milling about the plant, when fighting broke out -- for no apparent reason, except that some pickets tried to break through a police line. The police finally got the situation under control.

HOTELS

The Washington hotel strike is over. The more than five thousand employees of eighteen hotels in the Nation's Capital have gone back to work -- on a compromise, the workers giving in on some demands, the management giving in too.

Happiest of all are the diplomats, lobbyists, congressmen, travellers and others, who, for the last three weeks, have made their own beds, carried their own bags, and generally had a rough time.

The White House finally stepped into the picture, on the grounds that the walkout was interfering with the Government.

It is estimated that the strike cost the hotels millions of dollars.

VET RETURNS ORIENT

I've just had a letter from a young naval officer I met on my way across the Pacific, during the closing months of the war with Japan. He says he has signed up as a volunteer, to return to the Far East for the War Department, a civil post in Korea. And then he speaks about what he thinks of conditions here at home. He says: "of what use was our victory in the Pacific, with all our post-war obligations ~~extended~~ ^{sabotaged} by strikes and other troubles here at home. We must be the laughing stock of the world". And then he goes on "selfish, narrow interests, both labor and management have torn this nation apart since V-J Day and I am almost glad to be leaving it. Indeed, when I left them, the Japanese were showing a much more unified spirit in their reconversion from war". And he closes with a reference to a book he has written entitled "Pacific Adventure".

INVENTION

An electronic brain and memory machine. That's what we'll have next. So says Lord Louis Mountbatten, cousin of King George, and former Supreme Allied Commander in Southeast Asia.

Lord Louis told a group of British radio engineers that the man-made brain is on the way. It will be known technically as an "electronic numeral integrator and computator."

And here's what Lord Louis says it will do: -

It will perform functions analogous to those at present undertaken by the seemingly automatic portion of the human brain. For instance, it will be able to solve such problems as the trajectory of projectiles in flight ; and do such a problem in four seconds. For the same problem, a mathematician would need many hours.

There's an experimental one already in operation. And they say it can play a better-than-fair game of chess.

MYSTERY GIRL

A beautiful young woman in a New Jersey jail has become the object of attention from newspapers, lawyers, bar associations, and the Civil Liberties Union. She is in jail doing a six months' term for no offense but refusing to give her name. She won't tell the Jersey ~~police~~ ^{police} who she is, ~~and she will not~~ ^{nor will she}, tell the District ~~Attorney~~ ^{Attorney}, nor the Judge. ~~She is~~ ^{Although} accused and sentenced for disorderly conduct. ~~But~~ the jail attendants say ~~that, on the contrary,~~ she has been ~~most~~ courteous, quiet, well behaved, and gentle.

~~The case has put the sentencing judge in rather~~
~~shorts.~~ One of the protests against ~~the incarceration~~ ^{her being}
~~of this pretty girl~~ ^{in jail} comes from the Bar Association of Bergen County, of which the sentencing judge is the president. An attorney for the Civil Liberties Union called upon His Honor and suggested that if the girl doesn't want to reveal her identity, that's her business.

She is registered as Susan Bowers of Bozeman, Montana, according to the officers that ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~obviously~~ not her real name.

^{TP} She was arrested October Fifth for hitch-hiking, which is against the law in New Jersey. The car owner from whom she hitched the hike was a state trooper, who promptly put her under arrest. When they took her to the station house, the matron found a letter addressed to Susan Bowers. Then said the matron, "Oh, so that's your name, is it?"

The girl replied: "You may call me that if you like."

~~A systematic search disclosed that her~~

^{Her} fingerprints are not in the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. In fact, there ^{'s} really nothing against her, except that she won't tell her name.

And lawyers ^{say} ~~declare that~~ they can find nothing in the

Criminal Code of the State of New Jersey making it a publishable offence not to tell your name - ^{whether you are Susie Bowers of Bozeman, Montana, or not.}

PELICAN

You've heard the one about the pelican -- whose bill holds more than his -- --? Well, the story's true on evidence from Woodland, California.

Dr. Charles Roller, of Woodland, now knows all about the inside of a pelican's pouch. And he ought to. On a recent hunting trip, he got his head stuck in one.

The Doctor and his companions were duck shooting in a marsh near Woodland when they noticed a huge pelican floundering in the marsh -- a wing broken, apparently.

Full of love for all things wild, the Doctor floundered out into the marsh to the aid of the stricken bird. But, it turned on him, with flapping wings. The Doctor ducked. And, the pelican tried to swallow him.

Sounds like a tall story, doesn't it? But the Doctor of Woodland swears that it's true. And he agrees that a wonderful bird is the pelican.

TROMAN

President Truman left Washington this afternoon, by special train, for Independence, Missouri, to vote. Quite a large party went along -- including Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House, and a number of top Democratic political figures.

Again reporters wanted to know, was he going to make any campaign speeches? No word on that, even at this eleventh hour. However, there is a strong rumor that he will make a train-platform speech at St. Louis, one at Jefferson City, and a third at Sedalia, Missouri.

The late word is that Mr. Truman's home state is in the doubtful column. With even Democrats admitting this -- in private.

Speaker Rayburn, by the way, will make a speech at a rally in the President's home town, tomorrow night. According to the White House, Mr. Truman himself will not be there. Instead he'll be spending the evening with his mother at Grandview, Missouri.

Republicans today, naturally, ^{I suppose,} had remarks to make about Postmaster General Hannegan's latest in which he repudiated all support from Communists, and asked the Communists to give their votes to the Republicans.

The Republican National Committee retorts that, "That sounds like a deathbed repudiation." And then they add: "Mr. Hannegan may have repudiated the Communists, but the Moscow radio hasn't repudiated Chairman Hannegan."

In New York, Secretary Byrnes was asked ^{ab}out the Henry Wallace speech at Minneapolis in which he said that Senator Vandenberg of Michigan and Uncle Sam's War and Navy Departments were needling the State Department into risking war with Russia. Mr. Byrnes declined to reply except to say that as a private citizen, Wallace has a perfect right to express his opinions on any subject upon which he can get people to listen.

1/4 And now Nelson we are all listening - wondering what you are going to say