

WAR L.J.-P.G. Wed. Apr. 4 - '51.

A statement of the gravest kind was made in the House of Representatives today -- that among the Red forces massed in Manchuria there are non-Chinese troops. And that doesn't mean -- North Korean troops. There is only one inference to ~~be~~ be drawn -- Soviet Russian soldiers. The statement was made by Speaker Sam Rayburn arguing in favor of the draft bill. Giving the implication that Russian troops moved into Manchuria he said: "I think we stand in the face of ~~xxxx~~ terrible danger - and this may be the beginning of World War Three."

The Speaker had just attended a conference at the White House but we don't know whether or not he got the ominous information there. ~~SENATE~~ Senate Democratic leader, McFarland of Arizona ~~HE~~ also attended the meeting at the White House and he refused to say. To a newspaper reporter he declared: "I know what he (Rayburn) knows. I know the situation is very serious. I personally feel that what we say and do here may mean the balance between war and peace."

All this does have a sound most ominous,  
but it may be that the situation is ~~being~~ represented  
as being so serious to create an impression -- in the  
course of the Congressional debate ~~on~~ on the draft  
bill.

## PARIS CONFERENCE FOLLOW UP

In Paris tonight, the Soviets offered new proposals, which seem to bring matters nearer to a conference of the Foreign Ministers of the Big Four -- those top level talks the Deputy Foreign Ministers have been trying to arrange.

Soviet Representative Gromyko offered a compromise that might lead the way to a discussion of the cold war in general -- which the western powers want. Hitherto, Moscow has been trying to keep matters confined to Germany -- the question of West German disarmament. Gromyko's proposals tonight are complicated, but they give new hope that a top level four power conference may be arranged -- although the demands of the Western Powers are not met fully.

## KOREA

The American drive across the Thirty-eighth Parallel goes on. It's no headlong rush, but a methodical push across that famous line - new armored advances ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ linking up with <sup>that moved</sup> forces across the Parallel yesterday.

The "bridgehead" ~~that has been~~ formed to the north of the line, is in the sector where the Communists are reported to be massing their hundreds of thousands for a spring offensive. Yet, the American tanks today ~~met~~ met with little opposition -- save in the form of artillery fire. One commander of armor reports a bombardment by the biggest enemy guns thus far in the Korean war -- one-hundred-and-fifty millimeter Howitzers. *Could there be Soviet artillery manned by Russian gunners?*

North of Seoul, the North Koreans ran into bristling resistance. They crossed the Imjin River, establishing bridgeheads, but enemy counter-attacks forced them back across the stream.

The air battles go on with one enemy jet plane shot down ~~in~~ today and two damaged, -- in combat

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at high speed and ~~at~~ high altitude near the Yalu River,  
the Manchurian border.

## SUBSTITUTE SENATE

Late this afternoon (the Senate passed the resolution on troops to Europe. The resolution okays the sending of four divisions of ground forces to General Eisenhower's Atlantic Pact army) - but ~~the~~ it advises President Truman that he should get congressional approval before sending any more. This is merely -- advice. It has no force of law, but the claim is made that the resolution does impose on the President a moral obligation to get Congressional consent, before sending more American soldiers across the Atlantic.

The resolution at the same time asked that Spain and Western Germany be brought into the Atlantic Pact as soon as possible. The Administration objected to this, but the Senate voted its belief that Spain and western Germany should be made a part of the western system of defense.

## COMMUNISTS

We have vigorous denials tonight from the two winners of the Academy Awards -- Jose Ferrer and Judy Holliday. Both are named by the Committee on un-American Activities as having been, in the words of the committee -- affiliated with five to ten Communist front organizations. To this Judy Holliday replies: "I am not a member of any organization ~~xxxx~~ listed by the Attorney General as subversive. In any instance where I <sup>(lent)</sup> ~~xxx~~ my name in the past it was certainly without knowledge that ~~xxx~~ such organization was subversive."

~~Such~~ <sup>That</sup> is the denial of the actress ~~xx~~ who won an Oscar for her genius in playing a dumb blond.

The <sup>(committee)</sup> ~~xxxxxx~~ named Jose Ferrer as ~~as~~ sponsor of the Communist Front Peace Conference in Nineteen Forty-Nine. To which Ferrer replies. "My name was used without authorization. I'm clean as a whistle and most anxious to prove it."

So says the actor who won an award for playing

the part of Cyrano de Bergerac who had such a big nose and spouted so much poetry.

WILSON

Word from Washington is that Mobilization Director Charles E. Wilson has recommended new and stiffer controls to curb the rising prices of food. He has ~~recommended~~<sup>presented</sup> a program to President Truman in which one feature is -- "freeze parity." <sup>HP</sup> For the farmers, parity is the level up to which they can borrow money from the government - and actually controls the farm prices. Right now parity is flexible subject to ~~existing~~ monthly change on the basis of what the farmer has to pay for the goods he buys. So, the Mobilization Chief wants to end the flexible change, and fix parity at the levels of last January<sub>2</sub> Twenty-Five when the general price-wage freeze went into effect. ~~But~~<sup>HP</sup> By keeping parity at the same level, that would stop the merry chase -- in which farm prices and costs of living go chasing each other upward in a spiral of inflation. That's the argument of Mobilization Director Charles E. Wilson as he proposes <sup>—</sup> freeze parity.



## SURPLUS

A remarkable business deal involving government surplus was divulged in Washington today. A Chicago truck dealer told of making a profit of four-hundred-and-twenty-five-thousand dollars, after paying two-hundred-and-seventy-nine thousand in fees and commissions to put the deal through.

Morris Green, a dealer in Chicago, bought a thousand trucks from the government of the Philippines. U.S. Government surplus -- disposed of out there after the end of the Second World War. Green told a congressional committee today that he bought the trucks for two-hundred or two-hundred-and-fifty dollars each, and had them shipped back to this country. Here he resold them at a huge profit. The Atomic Energy Commission bought three-hundred-and-fifty-eight of them for as much as thirty-nine hundred dollars each.

The fees and commissions of two-hundred-and-seventy-nine thousand dollars were paid for help in

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procuring the trucks in the Philippines, for aid in selling them over here, and for maneuvers in getting the Department of Commerce to lift a ban on imports of surplus material from abroad. There was a regulation to keep surplus material sold abroad from being resold in this country -- and that had to be lifted.

All of which explains how so much money had to be paid out, and yet a profit of four-hundred-and-twenty-five thousand dollars was left over.

## AUTO WORKERS

At Cleveland, the auto workers have re-elected Walter Reuther as President of the Union. There wasn't much opposition, to begin with -- and what there was collapsed completely. Twenty-five hundred delegates representing a million and a quarter auto workers rose in acclamation -- re-electing Reuther to his fourth term as the head of the nation's largest union.

CALVIN STAUDT

A quarter of a century ago an American professor from the great American University at Beirut, Syria, crossed the Arabian Desert to the ancient city of Baghdad. There he founded, in the city of the Caliphs, an American School for boys. At the feet of this educator and his wife, sat thousands of boys from Iraq, Iran, Arabia, and the land of Sindbad the Sailor. They became heads of governments, great merchants, educators -- and the influence of Calvin Staudt of Pennsylvania will continue in the Middle East for generations.

He has just passed away, at the home of a friend, Judge Bickel, in Baltimore. If we only had a few thousand Calvin Staudts scattered around this planet - and a few more educational institutions like his ~~own~~ school in Baghdad, and the American University at Beirut, this would be a better world - and Americans would have far more friends in other lands.

## TOBACCO ROAD

Here's news from tobacco road. And tobacco is right. Today at Huntington, West Virginia the doctors operated on thirteen year old Jimmy Clark --who, on a lonely farm, broke his leg <sup>more than</sup> ~~almost~~ three weeks ago. He tried to ignore the injury - then hobbled for seven miles, ~~making~~ <sup>m</sup> his way to the ~~xxxx~~ hospital. <sup>R</sup> Jimmy Comes from the back woods of Wayne, County, where the life of the mountaineers is primitive. He was working ~~at~~ <sup>on</sup> his uncle's farm, when he fell off a horse and broke his leg. He tried to pay no attention to the injury, ~~xxxxxx~~ at first, but then weakened so far as to make himself a pair of crutches out of bean poles and broom handles -- helped by his pal Donald Bunch. <sup>R</sup> But the leg kept hurting something awful, and finally thirteen year old Jimmy thought he had better see a doctor. So he started out on his ~~crutches~~, hobbling along a rough mountain road, for seven miles -- until he came to a highway. There a passing motorist picked him up and delivered him to a doctor, who promptly transferred the boy to a hospital at Huntington -- for

treatment of the long neglected fracture.

In the hospital, Jimmy ~~xxxx~~ told the nurses he had only been in school ten days in all his life and could neither read nor write. Then he put up an uproar -- when they tried to take his chewing tobacco away from him. "I learned to chew when I was six," he protested with dignity -- and hung onto his plug he had in his pocket. <sup>A</sup> News from Tobacco Road - all right -- with an ~~xxxx~~ accent on tobacco.

## FORTUNE

In Chicago they find that Miss ~~MAXINE~~ Marie Anderson left a considerable fortune in money, together with a whole assortment of rare and valuable belongings -- though the aged spinster lived in wretched misery, and worked on a drudging job in a factory.

Yet, she was born to prominence -- and, at one time, won high success in her own right.

She, ~~was~~ a daughter of a well known Chicago architect, Theodore Andersen, and received a first rate education and became a lawyer. She rose to a high position in the legal world, and was an assistant State's Attorney from Nineteen Twenty-three to Nineteen twenty-seven. <sup>IP</sup> Then what happened? The answer is obscure -- some strange psychologic change. Today a sister of Marie Andersen said that, for some reason or other, ~~(the able, successful woman)~~ ~~the woman lawyer and one time~~ ~~AN Assistant State's Attorney,~~ <sup>IP</sup> abandoned her professional and social life, and became a sort of hermit. Her home was a mansion, which she owned, but she lived in the basement -- with no running water or electricity.

She got a job in a candy factory at small wages, and wore no dress to work, <sup>—</sup>only a man's overcoat over a slip with a piece of rope for a belt. On the job, she put on a factory apron. Yet in the house, they find a whole treasure of expensive clothes, dresses and gowns, linens, lace handkerchiefs, lingerie and gloves. There are many cartons of new clothes, with price tags on them still. The seventeen room house, moreover, is full of fine furniture, tapestries and paintings of great value.

Such is the strange case of the <sup>Luminist</sup> ~~successful~~ woman lawyer, ~~she was at~~ one time ~~was~~ Assistant State's Attorney in Chicago.



## QUEEN

We hear there is a rush on for American girls to become Queens, Princesses and Sultanas of the Orient. This is stated by a former wife of the Bey of Tunis, an American woman who married that Moslem potentate of North Africa -- the marriage ending, after a while, in a Mohammedan divorce.

<sup>h</sup>  
Katrine Sargent has arrived in New York, after having been, I suppose, Queen Katie of Tunisia. She says that Oriental potentates are going in for American brides, more and more. -- so ~~that~~ the lands of Islam offer glittering opportunities for girls in the U.S.A. who hanker for eastern romance, not to mention the gold and jewels.

But she cites her own experience, as an oriental Queen, and speaks the following warning for American girls. "~~For one thing~~ <sup>T</sup>they should know they'll have to forget any notion about being equal to the man they might marry. The minute the ceremony is over the wife goes down on the list as a piece of property -- along with her husband's

cash, jewels, houses, camels and goats."

Local beauties of Islam, she explains, don't seem to mind, but American girls are humiliated, ~~by the experience.~~

She says she had to have her husband's crest, his coat of arms, tattooed on her forehead. ~~Also~~ Also a triangular design, something like a western rancher's brand, was tattooed on her, ~~also~~. After the divorce, it took her a month in a hospital to get skin grafted onto her anatomy, and eliminate the trade marks of the Bey of Tunis. <sup>H</sup> Even the oriental jewels were not so enchanting -- the diamonds, emeralds, and rubies.

"I had a special costume I had to wear" she says, "and it included a diamond as big as an American quarter."

~~Quite a sparkler, that huge brilliant. But here's~~

~~what she says:~~ "I had to wear the diamond in my navel (ix or tummy) and it was just plain uncomfortable.

Besides", she adds, "I couldn't see it there." <sup>H</sup> So

that, girls, is what you may have to go through if you

aspire to be a Subtana out of the Arabian Nights.

*and now back to Bagdad on the Subway - to you!!*