

CASTRO

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Fidel Castro's Washington speech adds up to - a man speaking very carefully. Denying - he's a Communist. But - refusing to say which side he would favor - in case of a major war. Then blaming Cuba's economic misfortunes - on American trade policy.

Castro, speaking for two hours - at a session of the Society of Newspaper Editors. Speaking English, ~~fluently~~ ~~although~~ with a strong accent. Wearing - that familiar army fatigue uniform. The one he made famous - during the fight against Batista. Castro's only concession - his beard, more neatly trimmed than usual.

*— he said this before — that*  
Telling his audience - he isn't in this country,

looking for money. But he does want - better trade terms with Uncle Sam.

What about his neighbors in Latin America? Castro says he won't interfere with them - if they leave Cuba alone.

HERTER

*today*  
Today President Eisenhower conferred by phone --  
with John Foster Dulles, *on the* Subject *of a* ~~the~~ successor to  
*W.F.* Dulles at the State Department. No official word --  
on the final decision. But around Washington it's  
taken for granted -- *the President* ~~Mr. Eisenhower~~ will nominate  
Christian Herter. The Acting Secretary of State,  
available for the job -- now that his doctors give him  
a clean bill of health.

Senator Dirksen of Illinois -- is more positive.

The G.O.P. leader in the Senate, telling newsmen --  
*is almost sure to*  
the Herter nomination ~~may~~ be announced tomorrow.

## DALAI LAMA

A news dispatch from Tezpur, India says the Dalai Lama will arrive there tomorrow. And that Tezpur tonight is a crowded city - crowded with Buddhist monks - waiting for the head of their religion. Along with them - officials of the Indian government. Also, Western newsmen - anxious to hear more of the story of the Dalai Lama's escape from Lhasa.

An escape that begins to appear more dramatic than ever.

We knew that somehow the Dalai Lama managed to bring - his mother and sister with him. Now we are told, he has an entourage of seventy-eight. Many top Tibetan leaders eluding the Red guards in Lhasa. Making their way across south eastern Tibet - without being spotted. Then, crossing the Himalayas - tallest mountains on earth - to safety in India.

Sounds as if we'll have quite a story - if the Dalai Lama will tell how he did it!

SUBSTITUTE ~~BERLIN~~ POLAND

Our State Department denies British newspaper reports - about those American flights into West Berlin. London editors, claiming - our generals are defying President Eisenhower. Ordering American planes to fly - above the ten thousand foot ceiling, set by the Russians.

State Department spokesman, Lincoln White - has just issued a flat denial. Saying - President Eisenhower himself approved the plan - to disregard the Soviet ceiling. White adding <sup>that</sup> our government is "dismayed" by the British criticism.

## KHRUSHCHEV

A book published in Moscow today - should be a surefire bestseller - over there - and over here too.

Title - "To Victory in Peaceful Competition with Capitalism." Author - Nikita Khrushchev.

A lucky author. Turning out a whopping best-seller - on his first attempt. How can he miss! His book accepted by the Soviet Government for mass distribution. That means hundreds of thousands of copies - for the first edition. Who gave the order - for this edition? Why - Nikita Khrushchev.

Publication date - Khrushchev's birthday. The boss of the Soviet Union - sixty-five today. Moscow says he's in good shape. But a report reaching London insists that he is slowing down. That his doctors have ordered him to slow down.

## NARCOTICS

In Havana, the question is -- who took that list of smugglers in the narcotics trade? Fifty suspects -- identified by our narcotics commission. Men accused of running heroin and cocaine -- from Cuba into the United States.

We sent the list to Havana -- to help Castro's agents control the drug traffic. The list, disappearing -- mysteriously.

## PRISON

Tonight those rebel convicts -- are still in control of the ~~Montana~~ <sup>the</sup> State prison, <sup>at Deer Lodge, Montana,</sup> Killing the Deputy Warden -- seizing eighteen hostages. They allowed prison sociologist Walter Jones to speak to the authorities -- Jones, describing the situation as -- "tighter than blazes." The prison sociologist begging the authorities -- not to storm the prison. Because the convicts threatened to kill their hostages.

So for the moment -- it's a stalemate. Two hundred guards ready to attack -- with rifles, tommyguns, and tear-gas. ~~RTMx~~ The convicts, sitting tight in the cell-blocks, holding onto their hostages.

STRIKE

The Governor of Kentucky mobilizes -- a thousand members of the National Guard, <sup>to cope with</sup> ~~reason~~ that strike in the Kentucky coal-fields. Governor Chandler acting -- after a non-Union truckdriver was killed in a gun battle. The men of the National Guard -- to be used in a police action -- if the violence gets <sup>out of hand,</sup> ~~any worse.~~



## CIVIL RIGHTS

The Justice Department will ask the Supreme Court -- to overturn yesterday's Civil Rights decision in Macon, Georgia, <sup>where</sup> District Judge Hoyt Davis ruled - <sup>that</sup> Federal officials may not seek injunctions -- when voting rights are violated.

The Justice Department <sup>T</sup>reports -- it needs injunctions to prosecute voting cases, <sup>will</sup> ~~And, is going to~~ appeal -- to the Supreme Court.

## VACCINE

A new vaccine for whooping cough -- developed by a team of British doctors. So announced in London. The medicos worked on the drug -- for thirteen years. Testing it on -- thousands of patients. It's now called -- ninety percent effective. This vaccine for whooping cough to go on the market -- as soon as it can be mass-produced.

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## SEAWAY

The St. Lawrence Seaway stamp! Like the Seaway itself - a joint effort, by - Canada and the United States. It is described today in news bulletins from - Ottawa and Washington.

A five-cent stamp - carrying both the Maple Leaf and the Bald Eagle, the two emblems, on a background representing - the Great Lakes. The stamp to go on sale - June Sixth, the day Queen Elizabeth and President Eisenhower will officially open the great St. Lawrence Seaway.

## PARTY

Staid old London is still rocking - from last night's party in a Mayfair apartment. A costume party, thrown by - the "Chelsea Set." Bluebloods with money - and titles. The members of the "Chelsea Set" - dressed like Teddy Boys, Britain's juvenile delinquents. The invitations reading - "Knives and bicycle chains -optional."

The Lords and Ladies dancing barefoot - to rock-and-roll. Keeping the neighbors awake all night - until five in the morning. Why then? Oh, several members of the Chelsea Set had to get to their jobs - on the London Stock Exchange, at the Bank of England, and so on. Make their way down, from Mayfair thru Picadilly, across Leceister Square, up the strand and on to Lombard Street.

## ICEBERGS

The Coast Guard Cutter "Acushnet" is racing toward - a couple of icebergs. The first of the season. They have just been spotted a thousand miles east of Boston, bergs, described as "enormous." A menace to shipping.

The cutter plans to keep an eye on them.

This news comes almost forty-seven years to the day - after the worst disaster ever caused by an iceberg. The Titanic, hitting one - in Nineteen Twelve. Sinking - with a loss of fifteen hundred lives. Leading to the creation of what is called:- "The International Ice Patrol."