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The Goldfine extravaganza soared into the realm of melodrama, today - with two thrilling acts. Either one of which- would have been enough for one days excitement.

Act One - beginning in the wee hours this morning.

The discovery - of the "bug". A microphone for eavesdropping - found in the hotel room of the millionaire's new public relations expert, Jack Lotto.

Wires connected - with a room next door. Occupied - by Jack Anderson, an investigator for columnist Drew Pearson. With Anderson - Baron Shacklette, an ^{ti}investigator for the congressional sub-committee. The two admitting that the "bug" had been installed - so they could hear conversations in the room of the Goldfine publicity man.

You can imagine the uproar. Goldfine complaining:

"This is worse than Russia - worse than the Gestapo."

The congressional sub-committee - equally disconcerted by the "bugging" operation of its investigator.

GOLDFINE INSERT

After paragraph about ~~Drew Pearson~~ and -
"he was impudent, ~~but~~ I need him."

Later, the Goldfine lawyers, made the claim --
that investigator Shacklette, recorded confidential talks
between themselves and their client, Goldfine.

Still later news -- the subcommittee has fired
Investigator Shacklette.

Chairman Oren Harris of Arkansas stating - that Shacklette had been given instructions to investigate a ~~suppose~~ supposition that the sub-committee had been the victim of microphones for ~~the~~ eavesdropping. But he had not been told - how to investigate.

Drew Pearson was asked - what about the conduct of his man, in the "bugging" business. Whereupon the Columnist replied, in the words of President Eisenhower: "He was impudent, but I need him."

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Act one - first class, full of action, suspense and lively dialogue. Enough entertainment for one day. But, immediately afterward, the curtain rose on Act Two.

A theft of papers, files ransacked - documents purloined. Good, in any melodrama - an old standby. The papers - stolen from the Washington hotel room of Goldfine's bookkeeper secretary. Her name? Milder Paperman. Like a play on words.

Miss Paperman- described as knowing more about Goldfine's affairs than Goldfine himself, one of those invaluable employees.

Over the weekend, she was in Boston, but kept her hotel room in Washington - where the papers were on file in a closet. Returning to Washington last night, she noted nothing amiss. ~~The files were ripped open~~ But when, today, she opened the door of the closet, she found - the files ripped open. A lot of papers - missing.

What kind? Miss Paperman reports - the stolen documents include letters, cancelled checks, lists of one sort or another, photostats, and so on, and so on.

Whodunit? That's the mystery, at present.

Act two - ending on a note of suspense. But it's a fast moving ~~■~~ melodrama - and who knows what will come next?

Goldfine - scheduled to resume his testimony before the sub-committee, tomorrow. But he sent word - that he

wouldn't be able to make an appearance. Exhausted - by the rapid fire series of excitements, ^{that} ~~which~~ woke him up early this morning, before the dawn was breaking. And he'll have to rest up before he goes into complicated financial matters, which the sub-committee wants him to explain.

Moreover, an aide of his declares that the pilfered papers were important in explaining Goldfine's activities - as a Santa Claus giving gifts.

Sad story - how Santa Claus got himself into the whirl of a thriller worthy of the dramatic stage.

ALASKA

A ceremony at the White House - reporters and cameramen in attendance. As President Eisenhower signed - the Alaskan statehood bill. Which he did - with an expression of personal gratification. The President - having long contended that the great northern territory should enter the union.

After signing, he turned and said: "Now we have forty-nine states." But, quickly amended that. Remembering - the people of Alaska ^{still} have to ratify statehood.

The prediction is - they'll do it by ten to one.

The President added ^{that} he's disappointed by ~~some~~ reports that statehood for Hawaii is likely to be delayed. No ~~state~~ action contemplated - in the present session of Congress.

ALASKA - MAP

Here's a report from Rand McNally - on Alaskan statehood. No, they won't have to change the maps particularly - because of the forty-ninth state. But they'll have to revise the information - that goes along with the maps. Not only is Texas no longer the largest state, since Alaska is more than twice as big - but Mount Whitney, California, no longer is the highest mountain in the United States. Mount McKinley, Alaska, more than five thousand feet higher.

The farthest western point in the United States will change - from Cape Alva, in Washington, to Attu Island, in the Aleutians.

The farthest northern point - Lake-In-The-Woods, Minnesota, to Point Barrow, in the Arctic Ocean.

The lowest temperature recorded in the United States - sixty below, at Yellowstone National Park, now drops to ninety below - in the new state of the far north.

And so on and so on!

CIGARETTES

A stepped up campaign - to warn the public of the dangers of excessive cigarette smoking. Educational propaganda - following a report made public on Saturday. With more statistical evidence - connecting cigarettes with lung cancer and other diseases.

The public health service has already been running a campaign to give the public the facts. In spite of which - cigarette smoking seems to have hit an all-time high in this country. The educational campaign to be increased - for whatever good it will do.

PASSPORTS

President Eisenhower, today, urged Congress to enact legislation - which would ~~not~~ nullify the decision given recently by the Supreme Court. The ruling - that the State Department was in error - in refusing passports to people on grounds of Communism. The court saying - the law passed by Congress gave the State Department no such authority.

So now the President wants the ~~lawmakers~~ lawmakers to remedy the deficiency by passing legislation - giving the State Department specific power to deny passports on grounds of national security.

RUSSIAN PRISONERS


The Russians have released the nine man crew of the American transport plane - which landed in ~~the~~ Soviet Armenia, June Twenty Seventh. Their plane - forced down by Soviet fighters. Today the nine airmen were handed over - at a point on the Russian-Iranian frontier, near the Caspian Sea. In good shape, apparently, neat and trim, and in cheerful spirits.

The Soviets protested - that their plane violated Russian air space. The United States replied - that the big transport, on its way from Germany to Pakistan, may have strayed across the border. The dispute ending- with the release of the prisoners, today.

CUBA

Three more Americans - freed in Cuba. Brought in by helicopter - from rebel hideouts in ~~the~~ Oriente Province. They predict that four more prisoners will be turned loose tomorrow. The remainder of the Americans, thirty marines and sailors - released in the next few days.

This -in spite of word that the rebels ~~had~~ kidnapped the Americans and Canadians - to protect themselves against bombing by the Cuban army.



CUBA- add

CBS News reporter Bob Tabor, who was with the rebels, sends word -- that the insurgents expect a full-scale government attack, as soon as all the prisoners are set free. They are digging in -- preparing.

MEXICO

Mexico reports - a landslide victory for the government candidate in the presidential election, held yesterday. The majorities for Adolfo Lopez Mateos - running as high as ninety percent, they say. The opposition charges a "gigantic" electoral fraud.

For forty years, Mexico has been ruled by the "institutional Republican party" - and it wasn't expected that yesterday's election would alter things.

DEGAULLE

In Paris, today, Premier DeGaulle named a highly controversial member - to his cabinet, Jacques Soustelle - Minister of information. The point being - that Soustelle was a leader of the rebellion in Algeria, ^{that} ~~which~~ called for DeGaulle to take power - and he did.

Hitherto, in creating his cabinet, the General has named regular party politicians, as ministers. Ignoring - leaders in Algeria. Which created a lot of discontent - among the Algerian extremists.

But now he ~~certainly~~ has made up for that. Soustelle a right wing firebrand, who escaped from Paris in May. Fleeing to Algeria - to lead the Gaulist uprising.

The word in Paris, tonight, is that the appointment of Soustelle - was opposed bitterly by Socialist leader Mollet, who is also in the DeGaulle cabinet.

PISA

The ancient city of Pisa - makes an appeal to the world. The world of ~~many~~ engineers, that is. Same old question - how to keep the leaning tower from ^{falling} falling down?

That masterpiece of architecture has been leaning more and more, for the last seven-hundred-and-forty-eight years. Now - some fifteen feet off perpendicular.

Yesterday, new measurements were made, showing that, in the past year, the tilt has ~~been~~ increased one-and-five-tenths millimeters. Too small - to be noticed by the human eye.

But every little bit helps - or rather hinders. The calculation being - that the leaning tower will topple in about ~~the~~ three hundred years.

That, of course, is well off in the future. But the city ^gathers are looking - far in advance. Hence their appeal to engineers all over the world. What can they suggest?

~~The trouble is that one side of the foundation~~

HILLARY

Now, about the conqueror of a giant - utterly defeated by a pigmy. The hero of Mt. Everest, the world's highest mountain - humiliated by a peak less than one-fourth as high. Everest - rising more than twenty-nine thousand feet. Scott Knob - a mere seven thousand feet.

Last week Sir Edmund and his family took a vacation - in their own native New Zealand. Going - to Wairau Valley.

Some years ago, before he ever saw Mt. Everest, Hillary made an attempt on Scott Knob, in Wairau Valley, and failed.

So now- same failure all over again. Sir Edmund and companions - climbing to within five hundred feet of the summit. ~~It~~ Then - stopped, at the top of Scott Knob, a perpendicular pinnacle of rock. Five hundred feet - straight up; Too much - for the conqueror of Mt. Everest, who admitted - failure again.

PAINTINGS

In Illinois, three employees of the highway department were driving along three miles north of Elgin - when they spied some parcels in a ditch ~~along~~ along the highway. They investigated, and what did they see? Eight paintings wrapped in newspapers. Masterpieces - including one by the great renaissance painter Tintoretto. Others -by such famous artists as Whistler, Inness, Gilbert Steuart.

Pictures - that were stolen from ^{the} Laura Davidson Sear Academy of Fine Arts. Taken- last Thursday. The robbers deciding, apparently - the loot was too hot to handle. Any art dealer - able to recognize the well known paintings.

BRIDE

Many stories are told - about the matchmaker, the marriage broker. Jewish stories excel in describing what can happen - when a wedding is arranged by the Shadchon (shad-kon). — *the marriage broker,*

This dispatch, however, is Chinese - from Formosa. Where the bridegroom, Mou Lien-Shan, says - he's going to sue the marriage broker.

So what was wrong with the bride? Oh, a small matter of being stark mad. Mou Lien-Shan says that, at the marriage feast - the bride went on a rampage, attacking the wedding guests - punching, kicking, scratching, *dan.*

^ Lou Lien-Shan sold quite a bit^l of goods - by the Chinese shadchon.

QUEEN

And now - meet Miss Catfish. Not so poetic - for a lovely blue-eyed blonde of seventeen. But Sarah Kay Burns has been crowned - Queen of the National Catfish Derby, held in Savannah, Tennessee. With awards - for anglers who catch the largest catfish.

They certainly go the limit don't they, in the craze for naming a queen for events of all kinds.

Selecting - Miss This or That. I heard of a Miss Skunk Cabbage the other day. Now in Tennessee its three cheers for Miss Catfish.