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EUROPE

That big election victory by the Mayor of West Berlin - what does it mean? Apparently, *it casts a shadow in the direction of* ~~some reservations about~~ Chancellor Adenauer.

The West Germans, fearful of a ^a ~~risk~~ ^{rift} in the Atlantic Alliance - that might diminish American influence in Europe. The voters of West Berlin, going ~~xxx~~ overwhelmingly for their Mayor - because Willy Brandt stands for strong ties bridging the Atlantic. No attempt to face Soviet aggression under the leadership of France - rather than America.

And Italy will have to take a stand - on the same issue. President Segni, dissolving the Rome Parliament - setting April ~~22~~ twenty-eighth as election day.

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BETANCOURT

The welcome given to the President of
Venezuela ^{today} by the people of Puerto Rico - ^{"tumultuous".} ~~immense~~

That's the word in the dispatch. ~~The appropriate~~
~~word.~~ Two thousand people at ^{San Juan} ~~the~~ airport - when
President Betancourt arrived. Fifty thousand,
lining the streets, cheering and waving Venezuelan
flags. The biggest and wildest welcome that any
visiting dignitary has ever received - in Puerto Rico.

What about the situation - in Caracas?

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President Betancourt says that his government is
stable enough - to protect Venezuela from the Reds.
And he's confident ~~that~~ the Venezuelan people will
support - constitutional government.

HIGHJACK

Next stop for the hijacked "Amzoa-tegui" - Belem, the Brazilian port at the mouth of the Amazon. Destroyers, shepherding the Venezuelan freighter down the coast to the Brazil seaport, making sure that the Reds in control don't turn toward the open sea and don't attempt to sail through the naval cordon - to Cuba.

This looks like the end of the episode that began last Tuesday, when Reds in the crew brought out guns and took over the ship. Then followed an air-and-sea search across the Caribbean during which an American Navy patrol plane was the first to spot the hijacked freighter off the north coast of Brazil.

CUBA

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Today's testimony on Cuba results in a balanced picture - of communism in this hemisphere. Assistant Secretary of State Edwin Martin, telling House investigators ^{that while guerrillas are} ~~that guerrillas are~~ ^{in fact} ~~certainly~~ being trained in Cuba, ~~and~~ ^{are} already at work in Latin America - notably in Venezuela.

^{that} ~~But~~ the Latin American countries are developing - workable anti-communist techniques. None- in danger of a Red takeover. The ^{Assistant} ~~Assistant~~ Secretary of State, summing up with the words: - "No country now seems likely to succumb in the foreseeable future."

Meanwhile, demands are getting louder on Capitol Hill - that we do something about the United Nations project for Castro's Cuba.) ~~The one and a half million dollar project that~~ Sponsored by the U.N. Special Fund. What really rankles in Congress, is that forty per cent of the money of the Fund - comes from Uncle Sam.

GHANA

At least one African nation may break diplomatic relations - with Red Bulgaria, Ghana, ^{you can imagine how Ghana is} seeking with anti-communism - after hearing reports by those students who were expelled from Sofia. Roughed up by the Red police - for attempting to form an African Students Union.

Sofia claims ~~that~~ there was nothing racial - ^{it at all} about ~~the street riot~~. Merely - political. Which brings the ^{retort} ~~exp~~ in Accra - "too fantastic to be believed". Says ^{the} Ghana Ambassador, who returned home with the students; - "we know racial prejudice when we run into it; and we ran into it in Bulgaria."

SOVIETS

If you happen to be a Soviet citizen,
and a critic of the Soviet Government - you'll
probably be declared insane; And ~~is~~ packed off to
an asylum. The Kremlin, ^{is} perfecting a new technique -
according to Kremlinologists in London and Paris.

Stalin used to shoot his opponents.

Khrushchev prefers the straightjacket. ^{which we hear he has} ~~And he used~~

^{used} ~~is~~ half a dozen times ~~is~~ in the past couple of years.

His latest victim - two writers who published
satires on his regime. Published them abroad -
needless to say.

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Tonight, Valery Tarsis and Valentin Ovechkin -
are both in padded cells.

DIVORCE

An Israeli court sitting in Jerusalem - inevitably recalls the wisdom of Solomon. ^{You all recall} ~~The~~ sage of ancient Israel had to decide ^{the} the ownership of ^a ~~the~~ baby, ^{and} ~~in the case~~. His offer to divide the child with a sword ^{a gesture that} revealing the true mother. The woman - who refused to let the judgement of Solomon be executed.

The judges of modern ^{Israel} ~~Israel~~ were concerned ⁿ with a divorce case. How to satisfy both an aggrieved wife - and the other woman, who wanted a name for her infant. The judgement of the Israeli court - goes like this:- The husband, to divorce his wife - temporarily. ^{Then} ~~and~~ marry the other woman - temporarily. In fact, only for a single day. Just long enough - for the baby to be named. Then, he'll get a second divorce - and remarry his wife!

This plan, agreeable to everybody involved, ⁵¹ including the wife. Indeed - a judgement worthy of Solomon.

PLOT

one that sounds like
Here's an aristocratic French name -

Paulé Roussoulet de Liffiac. ~~Could be a~~ character
out of Balzac? *No,* ~~or Marcel Proust. Actually,~~

Paulé Roussoulet de Liffiac - is a defendant

in the plot to kill de Gaulle. The gal with the *rather*
attractive
~~highfalutin~~ name - accused of being the go-between,

passing messages from the disaffected French Army

officers - to the notorious "Man with the Limp."

Georges Watin - who was supposed to be *the trigger man,* the assassin.

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The plot, broken up - before de Gaulle's
motorcade passed by. The "Man with the Limp" -
disappearing. The Paris security police *now*
interrogating - Paulé Roussoulet de Liffiac.

BEEFEATERS

I wonder what Henry the Eighth would think of this story. The Beefeaters at the Tower of London are threatening to strike. The guards in their colourful red costumes want a pay raise. If they don't get it by Saturday, they say they'll keep the tower gates closed, pull their night time patrols away from the crown jewels, refuse to salute the commandant, and ignore orders - even if they come from Her Majesty the Queen.

What would Henry the Eighth say? We all know what he would say! "Off with their heads!" And that royal command was never disobeyed - in Tudor times, on Tower Hill, Dick. "Off with their heads!"

PILOT

I suppose that no one has a better right to quote this adage of aviation that Bill O'Keefe of Half Moon Bay, California. "There are only two kinds of pilots - those who have landed with their wheels up, and those who are going to".

Bill, bringing his light plane in for a perfect landing - at Half Moon Bay Airport. So he was shocked in more ways than one - when his plane hit with a thump. Skidded - fifty yards. Ending up as a pile of junk. The last of a forty-five thousand dollars aircraft.

Bill walked away - unhurt. The latest pilot to try a landing with his wheels up.