

DISARMAMENT L.F. DeLoach <sup>Monday</sup> ~~Wed~~: May 27 - '57

In London, the words are emphasized - "serious negotiations". An expression of optimism - in the renewal of the ~~disarm~~ disarmament parley. Soviet Russia - now seeming ready to talk business. With "serious negotiations."

Today, U S delegate Harold Stassen indicated - that the United States is willing to go "halfway" toward a compromise. The Russian ~~is~~ delegate, Zorin - promptly welcoming this offer. Which leads the international delegates to think - that they <sup>a</sup>re about to take a "first step" in a real agreement for a reduction of armament.

All this - as West Germany makes a significant move. ~~Frank~~ Proposing a security pact with Russia. A treaty that would demilitarize Communist East Germany. <sup>and bring</sup> about the reunification of Germany.

FOLLOW DISARMAMENT

Today, West German Chancellor Adenauer was in Washington - conferring with Secretary of State Dulles. The subject - the relation between disarmament and German re-unification.

MIDDLE EAST

Saudi Arabia, today, put in a charge - against Israel. Telling the U N that the Israelis have taken "provocative and aggressive actions " in the disputed Gulf of Aquaba section.

An Israeli destroyer - cruising near Saudi Arabian positions along the Gulf of Aquaba. Israeli planes- flying at low level over artillery positions. Reconnaissance by sea and air.

## JAPAN

The Japanese are going ahead with the trial of an American soldier. Only - they haven't got the soldier.

In Tokyo, today, three top ranking judges were named for the proceedings against Private William Girard, of Ottawa, Illinois. Charged - with manslaughter. In the accidental shooting of a Japanese woman - on a U S Army firing range in January. The Japanese - demanding that the soldier be turned over to them for prosecution. The U S Army - refusing.

In Tokyo, the word is that Prime Minister Kishi, will press the demand, personally - in Washington. The Tokyo premier - to visit our National capital in June.

The Reds, as might be expected - are using the case for propaganda. Connecting it - with all the trouble on Formosa. Those anti-American riots - following the acquittal of an American soldier who shot a Chinese. The Communist radio charging - that the two cases, in Japan and Formosa, show that Americans regard other races as inferior.

But, in Japan, there's another case - with reverse English. An American - demanding that he be tried by the Japanese courts. Not - by the U S Army. Which certainly is - the other way round.

Joseph Bixler of LaGrange, Illinois - formerly a soldier, and now a civilian. Charged with bringing an automobile into Japan. ~~Was~~ Not for his own use - but for sale to Japanese - which - is illegal.

Bixler - preferring to face Japanese Justice on that score. Claiming that, as a civilian - he does not come under American military jurisdiction. So he should be tried under Japanese law.

In Tokyo, today, the U S Embassy rejected his plea - that he be turned over to the Japanese.

FORMOSA

U S officials on Formosa delcare - the looting of the American Embassy was more than the mere crazy doing of a mob. They point out - that the rioters cut their way into the Embassy coat room. Hacking - through a concrete wall to get in. Indicating - a definite attempt to get at the American secret codes. And the assailants - did get at them. Compelling - "some readjustment" of the codes. So stated by U S Ambassador Carl Rankin - who did not elaborate.

All of which would seem to point at the Reds - on Chiang Kai Shek's Formosa. American officials expressing the belief - that the anti-American riots ~~WERE~~ were organized by political elements. People - who'd like to take over, and make a deal with <sup>the</sup> Chinese Communists.

HAITI

Haiti quiet, again, today. After a turbulent weekend - in which some eighty people were killed. The provisional government - overthrown in a <sup>violent</sup> revolutionary outbreak. <sup>Now there's a</sup> ~~new~~ new regime <sup>power-</sup> ~~installed~~ - headed by Daniel Fignole, a labor leader, who becomes Haiti's third provisional President in five months. Fignole promising - full civil rights with a Presidential election in which all candidates will have a fair opportunity.

All Americans in Haiti - safe, although there were narrow escapes. The U S Embassy at Port Au Prince - raked by bullets, in the street fighting. American military attache, Captain John Fahy, in peril - when the windshield of his automobile was shattered by flying lead.

## BUDGET

In the battle of the budget, the Administration took another setback, today, when Republican leaders in Congress decided - they'll try to restore only one-fourth of the big slash.

President Eisenhower wants - a billion, two hundred million dollars put back into the military appropriations. But the G O P policy directors in the House declare - they can't hope to putback ~~more~~ more than three hundred millions. Reducing the reduction - by that much.

Even so, some Democratic leaders declare - they'll oppose any such Republican amendment. They'll insist - on the full cut.

However, there are signs of weakening - in the anti-administration forces. Democrats expressing the fear that the economy people may be making too much of a slash - in money for the Army, (Today, Congressman Vinson of Georgia, chairman of the Armed Services Committee said - he thinks the axe has been swung too hard. Similar expressions from other ~~Southern~~ Southern



Congressmen - like Overton Brooks of Louisiana, and Robert Sikes, the Florida Democrat.

Reaction - against the slashing axe of economy. )

ADD BUDGET

Two Republican Senators, today, said there's a swing of public opinion toward President Eisenhower in the battle of the budget. As indicated by the mail the two Senators ~~an~~ have been receiving - Ives of New York and Paine of Maine.

## LABOR RACKETEERING

The Administration, today, presented its proposals - for legislation to protect union welfare and pension funds. Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell - appearing before a Congressional sub-committee. Arguing - the need for stiff laws to keep ~~the~~ union racketeers from swindling the dues-paying ~~of~~ union members.

The Administration proposes that all welfare and pension plans be registered with the Labor Department. Including those ~~is~~ established and paid for by employers. Financial reports - to be submitted annually, and made public.

By way of teeth penalties: up to five years in prison for anyone convicted of making false reports, destroying records, ~~and~~ or looting the welfare funds.

Secretary Mitchell estimated that nearly seven million dollars a year is paid into such funds. Which cover some forty-two million American workers.

He reminded the sub-committee - of the scandals uncovered by the Senate investigation of racketeering in the

Teamsters Union. Citing these revelations of corruption as a reason - why there should be public financial reports in the pension and welfare business.

Meanwhile, there are signs of a lively battle - for the control of the Teamsters Union. Dave Beck, the Teamster President, having announced, on Saturday, that he will not be a candidate for re-election. (Which is not surprising - following evidence against him in the racketeering investigation. So Beck is out, and there are plenty of Teamster candidates - willing to take his place, as President of the nation's biggest union.)

## DUTCHMAN

Today, the Supreme Court reversed the convictions in the case of Henry (The Dutchman) Grunewald. Ordering a new trial - for three defendants.

The Dutchman - an alleged peddler of influence. Accused - of ~~xxx~~ conspiring to defraud the government in a tax case. Convicted - along with Daniel Bolich, Assistant Commissioner of Internal Revenue in the Truman Administration. And - a New York lawyer, Max Halperin.

The Supreme Court finds that, at the trial, Judge Archie Dawson made an improper charge ~~of~~ to the jury. So, a new trial is ordered.

BASEBALL

In baseball - reports of an astonishing move,  
a real razzle-dazzle affair. A shift of ball clubs - three  
teams involved. The Brooklyn Dodgers and the New York Giants -  
to go to the Pacific Coast. Which has been rumored before.  
But here's the surprise. The Cincinnati Red Legs - to ~~move~~  
come to New York. *All this authentic?*

*Well,* The United Press <sup>*says*</sup> ~~declares~~ it has <sup>*this*</sup> the news on  
sound authority - ~~that~~ the three team shift <sup>*to*</sup> ~~will~~ be placed  
before a special meeting of the National League in Chicago,  
tomorrow.

~~Well,~~ It's an old story - that the Brooklyn Dodgers  
might move to Los Angeles. One point being - that the Dodgers  
would not want to break up their old ~~frank~~ profitable feud with  
the Giants. Hence the logic - of the Giants moving to San  
Francisco. Traditionally ~~is~~ rivalry - reinforced by the *intense*  
competition between Los Angeles and San Francisco *as cities.*

But there's another twist of logic - that the National League would not want to move out of the New York area altogether.

Leaving the big town - to the American League, to the Yankees. So, some other National League team would have to come in. The team tagged - the Cincinnati Red Legs. Which would, we hear share Yankee Stadium with the Yankees.

What do you think of that for a baseball story?

## CHINA COAST

From the China Coast, the word - that pirates got away with a ~~■~~ treasure. Five hundred thousand dollars - in gold bullion. The pirates - robbing the smugglers. The story having all the flavor of traditional villainy - along the China Coast.

The basic facts, on which all this roguery hinges - are these: In British Hong Kong, the possession of gold is illegal. Which is not the case of Portuguese Macao - not so far away. So there's big time smuggling - from Macao to a black market for gold in Hong Kong. Junks - carrying the bullion.

The China coast has a long history of piracy and <sup>present</sup> ~~are~~ *day* pirates prey on the gold smugglers. Their biggest haul - the five hundred thousand dollars in ingots of the yellow metal. The belief being - that the gold is now being broken up into small pieces - for sale in Southeast Asia.

This act of piracy -happened - a couple of weeks ago. Not given - ~~and~~ any publicity. The smugglers - not in ~~✓~~



any position to complain.

But there were puzzling developments - in the gold market. The price of the yellow metal - rising suddenly, for no apparent reason. Then the word leaked out. The hike in the price - caused by a gold shortage. When the ~~men~~ pirates got away - with half a million dollars' worth of treasure.

COLLEGE

Stern measures - at a college in Ohio. Tough on the Greek letters. Bowling Green <sup>Ohio</sup> University - withdrawing recognition of ~~the~~ Sigma Chi Fraternity. The same thing in store, probably for Delta Tau Delta. In addition to which - twelve students have been expelled.

All the result - of <sup>that</sup> a wild uproar on Friday, when fifteen hundred students went on <sup>a</sup> ~~the~~ rampage - in a demonstration ~~of~~ against college president Ralph McDonald. Prexy- hanged in effigy. Traffic on the highway held up for ninety minutes by the rioting students.

College President McDonald says - it was all because the two Greek letter societies had violated regulations forbidding drinking. So they were to be disciplined, <sup>to which</sup> ~~and~~ the fraternity <sup>brothers</sup> ~~was~~ ~~was~~ objected. <sup>Then, all that their</sup> ~~rioting~~ ~~but all the riot~~ accomplished - is the banishment of Sigma Chi from the University. With Delta Tau Delta -

facing the same.

*The* College authorities taking drastic action, as

~~Henry~~  
fast as you can say - Alpha Beta Gamma Delta.  
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Announcer: And now Lowell Thomas recalls.

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L.T.: *In doing our recalling -*  
Let's get our memory clear - that the Pilgrim

Fathers did not make their first landing at Plymouth Rock.

They came ashore, first, on Cape Cod, *now the site of* Provincetown. Then the

Mayflower sailed on to Plymouth - where the Pilgrim Fathers made their permanent settlement.

A letter from Captain A. D. Turnbull, U.S. Navy retired, says people ought to get the matter ~~xx~~ straight, in connection with the voyage of the Mayflower second, *as we all know,* which replica of the Pilgrim Fathers' ship, *is* is on its way across the Atlantic.

Captain Alan Villiers, today, reporting - favorable winds and lively sailing, in the latitude of the West Indies.

And solong until tomorrow.