

MALAYA

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From Singapore, word that a former British colony is leading the move toward - a union of southeast Asia.

Malaya, hoping to establish something like - the common market of Europe. An economic union - that could lead to political union.

Genius of the plan - Malaya's Prime Minister

Tengku Abdul Rahman - who points out that his ^{is} peninsular

state is too small to go it alone, ~~especially in the~~ ~~particularly with that~~

~~shadow of~~ ~~threat from~~ Red China. Tengku Abdul Rahman thinks he has the

answer - a union strong enough to stand up to Mao Tse-Tung.

The members he has in mind - Indonesia, Thailand,

Burma, Cambodia, Laos, South Viet Nam, and the Philippines.

~~You can see the~~ ^{One} reason for including ^{all} these nations - ~~because~~

several of them are already fighting guerrillas backed by Red China.

When will the union of southeast Asia - get off the ground? Says the Malayan Prime Minister - "I'm ready

to take off, all I need is my co-pilot." Joking aside,

Tengku Abdul Rahman figures - about two years.

NEUTRALS

Belgrade was a sea of flags and cheering crowds today - as neutralist leaders began arriving for their conference that opens on Friday. Marshal Tito is obviously going all out - to put on an impressive display. The Yugoslav people, taking this conference - as a matter for national pride. Hence - the hoopla in Belgrade.

First neutralist leader to arrive - Prince Norodom Sihanouk of Cambodia. Followed by - Sukarno of Indonesia. Still to come, a galaxy of uncommitted statesmen - from Egypt's Nasser to India's Nehru.

RED CHINA

Red China is twenty-five years away from producing atomic bombs. That's the opinion of experts - on Formosa. They admit that Mao Tse-Tung could touch off a nuclear explosion - this year. But he doesn't have the wherewithal - to manufacture bombs. Red China, not producing - enough steel. ~~What if~~ ^{to} Moscow ~~should~~ give its ally - a stockpile of atomic bombs? The Nationalist Chinese - scoff at the idea. They claim ~~that~~ Khrushchev distrusts Mao too much - to give him the means of starting a nuclear war. ^{This being a} ~~this feeling, a~~ major reason for ~~the~~ ~~tense~~ tension - between Russia and Red China.

BERLIN

This time The western allies are not drawing up new notes *to send*
send to Moscow - because they feel ~~that~~ this kind of diplomacy
isn't getting them anywhere. Khrushchev, invariably
responding with - another round of propaganda. The alternative
for Britain, France and America - informal talks on a
personal basis. Which is what is expected to happen -
during the forthcoming session of the U N General Assembly.
The Allied Ambassadors to the U N sounding out the Soviet
delegate - about a possible conference on Berlin.

BRAZIL

In Brazil tonight, the big question is - the possibility of civil war. Will there be a head-on collision between ~~powerful segments~~ ^{factions} of the Brazilian armed forces? Can Marshal Denys keep the situation in hand?

~~The answer may be~~ In Paris, Vice President Goulart is still waiting - ~~to see what happens back home~~ ^{wondering whether he will ever} - as stipulated by ~~He's supposed to~~ replace Quadros as President - ~~under~~ the Constitution. Most of the military leaders - are opposed to his extreme leftist politics. But some army and Air Force units in Southern Brazil - are said to be supporting the Vice President.

~~The great danger is obvious.~~ Should Goulart land in Southern Brazil ^{and head} ~~to lead~~ an insurrection - the result could be a ~~devastating~~ civil war. Unless ^{the} bulk of the armed forces - remain loyal to Marshal Denys.

INTEGRATION

The police of Monroe, North Carolina, had to move quickly today - when violence broke out on the steps of the county courthouse. A group of white men, pushing several negroes - down the steps. No one was hurt, but the police moved in - hustling the attackers inside the courthouse.

Maintaining - an uneasy peace. Meanwhile, the search is on for Robert Williams - the ^{bearded} negro leader who has been disavowed by the N A A C P. Williams wanted for - kidnapping.

OPERA

If you're an opera fan you may be looking forward to the night of October Twenty-third, when the curtain will go up for - the first performance of the season, as a result of the dispute between orchestera and management having been settled Labor Secretary Goldberg. The Met to open on schedule.

First opera of the season - Puccini's "Girl of the Golden West." With Soprano Leontyne Price, as the star.

I don't know how many of you've noticed - that another Barnum has just passed away. Dick Barnum, grand-nephew of the master showman - P T Barnum. But the family connection wasn't Dick's only claim - to fame. He dreamed up a phrase that's about as familiar as anything from Shakespeare or the Bible. The phrase - "money back guarantee." Dick Barnum put those words on the advertising - for his mail order book business. Result - a ~~ham~~ boom that made him rich. Also - imitated by other American business men. All of them, trying to tempt - the public. So when you're tempted by those words "money back guarantee" - you know who was responsible for them. A worthy relative of the great Barnum - who knew a thing or two about tempting the public.

MONT BLANC

Have you heard about that incredible accident, on
Mont Blanc?

Near The Valley of the Curse. No one seems to know
how that name originated. But the visitors to Mont Blanc
caught in those swaying cable cars * of the Aiguille Du Midi,
must feel it's appropriate - after their harrowing experience.

No doubt some of you have been on that thrilling
ride up Mont Blanc. ^{This past winter several} ~~At least a~~ hundred thousand American
^{- vicariously -} skiers made the trip on the world's most exciting cableway.
^{that is they made it} ~~this past winter~~ when they attended John Jay's film.

If you like heights don't miss it. ^{the Aiguille Du Midi, for} Another
accident like ^{this one} ~~the one today~~ is not likely ever to occur
again.

In case you haven't heard, here is what happened
today, high in the French Alps. The usual aluminum cars -
were ~~in~~ moving across a dizzy gorge, ^{on their way} ~~and on~~ up to twelve
thousand feet. Suddenly - a French jet zooming too low,

sliced through that long cable. The plane, ^{apparently undamaged,} ~~unharmed~~ disappearing back to base, ^{with} ~~leaving~~ tragedy in its wake.

Two of the cars - plunged into the ~~an~~ gorge. The toll ^{six} ~~nine~~ dead. - possibly more.

Ten other cars remained suspended in the air ~~above~~ above the gorge, apparently held up only because - the end of the sliced cable whipped around a pylon on a Mont Blanc cliff.

Some fifty summer time mountain travellers caught dangling six hundred feet above a gorge. Fearful they would drop into the abyss at any moment, Hardly daring to breathe for fear that the cars would shake, Waiting, hoping, praying for rescue.

Special rescue teams sped to the scene. Including

Helicopters, ~~to the rescue.~~ In some miraculous way they got most of them down. Although, ^{Dick,} a few ~~some~~ are still dangling above a glacier, ^{these at} The Aiguille du Midi.

PEACE CORPS

Today's message to the peace corps in Washington - "re-pack your bags!" Twenty-one volunteers arrived at the airport - with too many suitcases. In the words of a Pan-Am official "they had mountains of luggage." Result - pandemonium. Frantic decisions--about what to leave behind. Personal belongings, flying in all direction^s- books, ashtrays, shoes, ties, even a couple of tweed coats.

Then the peace in corps volunteers boarded their plane--for the flight to Ghana. Their baggage, somewhat lighter - than when they arrived in Washington.