

LITTLE ROCK

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(Given by Allan Jackson)

Tonight, the question of integrating the public

schools of Little Rock - is up to the U.S. Supreme Court.

A Court of Appeals has granted a <sup>stay</sup> delay of integration - after

an appeal by the School Board. The decision, made public by

Judge Archibald Gardner, at his law office in Huron, South

Dakota.

The School Board had asked for "a breathing space".

And that is now allowed - by the Court of Appeals. By the same

token, the court turns down <sup>a plea</sup> an appeal from the NAACP - to put

integration into effect as soon as the schools open.

So the case goes to the Supreme Court - which is in

recess. But Justice Charles Whittaker could act on any appeal -

because he has charge of the U.S. Eighth Circuit - which

includes Arkansas.

UNITED NATIONS

Ten Arab states today offered the United Nations - a peace plan for the Middle East. ~~It~~ was introduced by the Sudanese Foreign Minister, Mohammed Ahmed Mahgoub - who spoke for the group.

This resolution calls on Secretary General Hammarskjold to go to the Middle East, and make what arrangements he can to bring about a settlement. The resolution mentions the withdrawal of Allied troops from Jordan and Lebanon - but does so, in moderate terms. At the same time, these ten Arab states pledge themselves - to respect the sovereignty of every Arab nation in the Middle East.

Nothing is said about a United Nations peace force - or ~~for~~ the prevention of radio propaganda. But the wording is vague

enough - to let the Secretary General ~~do~~ deal with both.

*The Arab resolution had overwhelming support in the Assembly - and was ~~an~~ approved generally by the Assembly.*

Dag Hammarskjold is expected to leave for the Middle

East - early next week.

BEIRUT

There was another bombing in Beirut today. Someone placed a bomb under a parked bus - in the busiest section of the Lebanese capital. When it went off - it turned the bus into junk. Buildings shook all around the square. And <sup>hundreds</sup> ~~thousands~~ of windows were shattered. Fortunately, no one was killed - and only four injured.

This atrocity follows an assassination last night.

It was done in <sup>recent</sup> U.S. ~~gag~~ gangland style. The victim sat in a barber's chair, having a hair-cut -- when a car pulled up outside, and a machinegun sprayed bullets all over the barbershop before speeding away.

In Amman, a military tribunal has just sentenced - Jordan's "bomb moll". She's Nadia Salti - accused of a bomb plot against King Hussein.

The state prosecutor told the court - Nadia used to carry high explosives in a white straw handbag. She was never challenged by the police - because her father is a well known Jordanian business man. According to the prosecution, Nadia turned the bombs - over to her fiance, Theodore Stephan - who then planted them at strategic spots throughout the city.

They were caught - when one bomb went off too soon. Nadia and Stephan were both picked up at the scene. And that broke the <sup>conspiracy</sup> ~~bomb ring~~ wide open.

Today the military tribunal sentenced Theodore Stephan to death. Nadia goes to prison. Seven years, for Jordan's "bomb moll."

GOLDFINE

House investigators are going to recall - Boston industrialist Bernard Goldfine. Chairman Oren Harris of Arkansas - stated this today. He says his Sub-committee will concentrate on - Goldfine's relation with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Recently, Goldfine refused to answer questions about the SEC.- and then was cited for contempt of Congress. According to Chairman Harris, the Senators have some ~~more~~ more questions to ask Goldfine - about his tardiness in filing reports with the SEC.

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T ~~At Unity House~~, Pennsylvania - the AFL-CIO today demanded an explanation from the head of the Carpenters Union. The Executive Council of the great labor organization, referring to - Maurice Hutcheson's connection with <sup>an alleged</sup> a highway scandal in Indiana.

A year ago, Hutcheson took the Fifth Amendment - when Senate investigators questioned him about the alleged scandal. Later, he refused to talk about an alleged jury fixing. He was then cited for contempt of Congress.

Now the AFL-CIO orders Hutcheson - to appear at the October meeting of the Executive Council. He'll be asked to explain - his behavior before the Senate Sub-committee.

## COST

The cost of living has declined - for the first time in two years. So says the National Industrial Conference Board.

We are told that last month both food prices and housing - dipped by three-tenths of one per cent. The overall picture showing - a decline of one-tenth of one per cent.

## ATOMIC

The Secretary General of the United Nations hails the news from Geneva - as "an effective dent" in the deadlock disarmament. Dag Hammarskjold, referring to - the latest word from the scientists who gathered in Geneva to find out - whether they could agree on a method of ending the race to produce atomic weapons.

Well, the scientists have come to a real agreement. They say it's feasible to stop atomic tests - under an international policing system. The experts don't claim - their system would be infallible. But they do claim it would be effective enough - to meet the conditions of East and West.

They want control posts to be set up around the world - on islands and ships at sea - as well as on all the continents. They believe any violation of the atomic ban - would almost certainly be detected.

So far there's no indication of whether Russia - would be willing to accept an inspection team within the borders of the Soviet Union. And we don't know how Red China - figures in the

Geneva discussions. For this information, we'll have to wait for an official report - after the inspection system has been submitted to all the governments represented at Geneva.

Anyway, this preliminary word is so favorable - that the head of the United Nations is looking forward to ironclad guarantees that would stop the testing of atomic bombs. And it seems that an earlier report from Geneva - was what caused our government to announce - a temporary halt to our own program of nuclear testing. — That announcement - expected to be made perhaps - in the next few days.

## PLUTONIUM

The Atomic Energy Commission announces - it's now operating a nuclear reactor, with plutonium as fuel. The point of the story - plutonium is an artificial element. They manufacture it in atomic plants - by bombarding non-fissionable uranium with neutrons. The residue of the process - is plutonium-two, three, nine. It acts more quickly than uranium - and is described as ideal for tactical atomic weapons.

The use of plutonium is a major break-through -- in atomic technology. Because it means - our scientists do not have to draw so much - from our stockpile of fissionable uranium.

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Tonight we travel from Tokyo to Hong Kong - with Lowell Thomas. Hong Kong - still one of the romantic cities of the world. Still a colorful metropolis / where the traditions of many nations mingle.

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Did you know that Marco Polo took spaghetti to Italy, from China? And that a modern Marco is reintroducing it to millions of Chinese in the form of a noodle? Here's the story:

There are more than a million refugees from Red China at Hong Kong. There isn't room for them, but somehow they find a few feet of space, a place to stretch out and sleep.

A quarter of a million are now jammed in seven story apartment buildings. In each 1000 refugees, 350,000 more are living in miserable shanties. 100,000 are on rooftops. Other tens of thousands occupying any odd corner.

Health conditions are surprisingly good - considering the congestion. The Chinese are a clean people and a disciplined people. While 37,000 persons die each year in Hong Kong, more than twice that number, 88,000 babies

are born.

But about the noodles:

In charge of vast refugee work is a priest from New Rochelle, New York. Monsignor John Romaniello, of the Maryknoll Order, has been in China for 25 years. He was a prisoner of the Communists on the mainland for 2 years, was expelled in '51, and for a year lived on baby food till he regained his health.

Prior to that he had been one of the chaplains with Chennault and The Flying Tigers - and The 14th Air Force, before and during the war. So he has lived a life of high adventure.

He says each authentic refugee gets 2 pounds of corn meal, wheat flour and powdered milk a month, and that he himself has developed a new machine that combines all three into a noodle that is easier to keep from spoiling. Making him a Marco Polo in reverse.

Some of these refugees are being sent to other countries. But not many. Quite a few to Brazil.

Australia, White Russians. How many White Russians remain in the Far East - large numbers still in Communist areas?

He says about 10,000,000. With a total of 60,000,000 displaced persons in Europe and Asia. 100,000 more streaming out of Red China into Hong Kong each year.

Of course Hong Kong is the perfect place to get information on Communist China. Evidently Mao's regime is in economic trouble. Not long ago 100 Peking dollars would buy 128 Hong Kong dollars. Now only 28 Hong Kong dollars will buy 100 Peking.

I was told by one well known Chinese banker that the Reds are dumping many commodities in Hong Kong, at less than cost, trying to give the world the idea that Red China is prosperous. He also says they are buying heavily, certain things - pharmaceuticals, chemicals, and steel. This since Khrushchev paid a recent visit to

Peking. And they pay a premium for old, discarded, apparently worthless automobile engines.

In a recent broadcast I mentioned playing golf on the mainland, near the Chinese Red border. One day we had Chinese villagers, young men, for caddies, who were polite and willing. But a second day we drew a group apparently from the Communist side of the line who were sullen and good for nothing. Nationalist Chinese who were playing with us were reluctant to reprimand the caddies, for fear they would loot them at the Fanling Royal Hong Kong Golf Clubhouse.

Between surley anti-West caddies, snakes, fairways drenched by rain following a typhoon, we had a fairly unusual round of golf.

By the way, our friend from New Rochelle who is at the head of refugee work in Hong Kong, has written a novel on the Far East. Its title, "The Bird of Sorrow", taken from an ancient Chinese proverb that I like:-

"You can't prevent the Bird of Sorrow from flying over your head, but you can stop him from nesting in your hair!"

It is his opinion, based on personal experience, that the great Chinese people, whom he likes and admires, now have The Bird of Sorrow in their hair.

As for the snakes we encountered - they had copper colored heads and collars the same color.

If you ever visit Hong Kong don't fail to cross the island to Aberdeen, with its fleet of fishing junks. At night it's one of the gayest spots in the Far East, with superbly run great floating restaurants. You are rowed out in a sampan. When you go aboard fishermen with nets catch a dozen different fish - all much alive, in great tanks - and bring them up for your inspection.

Prawns, shrimp, lobsters, snapper, grouper, and fish you never heard of before. And then you make your choice, to go along with your birdsnest soup, and hundred year old eggs. Of course you haven't really lived until you've eaten 100 year old eggs! So Long.

## PRINCESS

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Today was the twenty-eighth birthday of Princess Margaret. She celebrated it at Scotland's Balmoral R Castle - amid reminders of an old prophecy. When the Princess was a year old, a British almanac foretold her future. It said she would have a stormy romantic life - and then would get married in November of Nineteen Fifty-Eight.

So today leaves Princess Margaret - only three months from the date predicted in that almanac. Only now, there aren't many British fortune-tellers - willing to stake their reputation - on the Princess being married within three months. In fact, the guessing game just now is - whether the sister of the Queen ever intends to marry at all.

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## JORDAN

At his news conference in Amman, King Hussein described Jordan's internal situation - as "perfect." He said his only problems - come from the outside. And then he explained by pitching into Jordan's Arab neighbors, again accusing them of indirect aggression. Asked why he doesn't want ~~the~~<sup>a</sup> U.N. force in Jordan - King Hussein replied, there's no need to keep the peace in his kingdom. He believes Jordan can carry on - if the U.N. will put a stop to indirect aggression by her neighbors. When will the British leave? The young monarch told his audience - they'll be withdrawn as soon as the external pressures cease.