

President Eisenhower's visit in Rome was hit - by the Sirocco. Famous for centuries - the wind that blows across the Mediterranean from Africa. Under the heading of "Sirocco", the Encyclopedia Britannica says: "Such winds may be either moist or very dry."

Today's gale at Rome - moist. Soaking, in fact - with sheets of rain, blown by the wind.

The weather man, producing a Sirocco, could not have played a worse trick on the Presidential visit. All of Rome - drenched. The ancient Appian Way - something like a river, as the motorcade rolled into the city from the airport. Romans greeting the President - had to brave the downpour. The court-yard of the Quirinal Palace - covered with puddles.

The Palace, an historic place - as is the case with so much in Rome. Situated on the Quirinal Hill - one of the Seven Hills, where, once, there stood - a temple of the God Quirinus. An ancient, obscure deity of Rome - connected

with Romulus, the founder of ^{Rome,} ~~the city~~. The Palace built by
the Popes in the Sixteenth Century. Later - the Royal Palace
of Italy. And now - ~~is~~ the official residence of the President
of the Republic.

President Eisenhower - sleeping amid ancient memories
tonight. As the Sirocco - blows.

CHINA

The Chinese Reds announce the release - of thirty-three political prisoners. One of them - an historic figure. But of a strange, unimpressive kind. Pu Yi - who has occupied ~~in~~ two thrones.

Pu Yi
He ~~was~~ the last Manchu Emperor of China. Three years ~~in~~ old - when he ascended the Dragon Throne. Twelve years old - when the Manchu dynasty was overthrown. The young Pu Yi - left a pathetic sort of little figure along the China coast.

~~But~~, ^Then, Japan seized Manchuria, and set up a puppet state. ^{In} the old home territory - of the Manchu dynasty. ^{and} ~~So~~ they played an obvious kind of trick. Taking Pu Yi - and making him Emperor of their Manchurian satellite. A second throne - for Pu Yi.

But he lost that one too - after the defeat of Japan in the Second World War, ^{when} The Soviets grabbed him -- ^{and} ~~then~~ handed him over to the Chinese Communists, ^{who}

put poor Pu Yi

~~They put him~~ in prison - as a "war criminal".

Together - with a ~~number~~ number of his former officials in Manchuria, and prominent persons of Nationalist China.

Thirty-three of them, now released - after having been in jail for ten years or more.

Today's dispatch from Red China says they've had what the Communists call - "ideological education." ~~Which~~ ~~Wji~~ Which might mean - they've been converted to Communism. Including - Pu Yi, who is now about sixty years old.

And that

~~Which~~ would be - an irony of history. The last Emperor to sit on the Dragon throne of China, winding up - as a Communist! *Pur Pu Yi!*

BRAZIL

Brazilian rebels - landed by plane in Argentina, today. An airliner, ~~which~~ they had seized - arriving in Buenos Aires. Three men - aboard.

Yesterday, twenty-eight Air Force officers made a futile try - to launch a ~~xxx~~ revolution. Then fled by plane - to the jungle interior.

The belief was ~~that~~ they might get out of Brazilian territory. ~~So~~ Now three have made their escape - to Argentina.

STEEL

~~Today~~, Federal Mediator Finnegan ^{has} called ~~■~~
a meeting of the steel companies and the union, ~~For~~ a
bargaining session - tomorrow. Prompt action - after President
Eisenhower's declaration of last night, ~~When~~ he summoned
both sides - to around-the-clock negotiations.;

Intimating strongly - that the government would not
be likely to tolerate a resumption of the steel strike next
month.

PAYOLA

The Federal Trade Commission, today, brought accusations against three manufacturers and six distributors - of records. Charging them - with payola. Declaring - that they made payments to radio and TV disc jockeys - to plug their records.

The government is making a sweeping investigation of payola and other devious practices. Today - bringing ~~the~~ the first concrete action.

BENSON

The report on Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Benson is that he is doing alright, at Walter Reed Hospital, in Washington; after - a gall bladder operation. The sixty year old secretary - recuperating in good style.

ART

A month ago, two photographs were taken to the famous painter, Picasso - who lives on the French Riviera. Photographs - of a couple of paintings in a New York art collection. Called - Picasso masterpieces. The question - were they genuine?

The veteran artist looked at the two, then ~~he~~ picked up a brush, dipped it in orange paint, and wrote ~~in~~ his verdict on the ~~back~~ back of each photograph. The verdict, in one word - "fake".

Which is one incident in the story of a New York art collection called "priceless". ^{A collection} Consisting of some four hundred paintings, described as "masterpieces." Works of a number of celebrated artists. Only one - alive, Picasso. So he was the only one - who could give a personal ~~an~~ verdict.

New York District Attorney Hogan charges that the whole collection - is a lot of worthless fakes. The owners, two Russian born brothers -indicted for false labeling and false advertising. Running an art gallery - to sell phonies.

As for the two Russian born brothers - they claim - they are the victims of an international art syndicate, which does not want their collection of masterpieces - acknowledged as authentic.

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voyage, and survived. But - without the use of an escape
mechanism. Such as was tried out, today.



ROCKET - Add

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ROBBERY

Many a story has a sequel - a second installment ~~at~~ which is true. - In the case of a bank hold-up at Cleveland. Mrs. Eugene Young says - it was her husband's idea. She - reluctant.

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She called the police, who told her - to go ahead and follow instructions. Using - a bundle of stage money. Which she did - placing the package in the alley in back of the bank.

Whereupon along walked Mr. and Mrs. Young, and picked it up, Only to be - arrested.

The second installment - that didn't work out.