

Tues. May 26 - '53, LT.-P. & G.

Substitute KOREA - TRUCE

President Eisenhower, tonight, issued a statement - on the new ^{Pan mun Tom} truce proposal, which the Communists are now considering. The President repeated in strong terms, that no prisoners of war will be sent back to the Reds against their own will. He said he was making this declaration all over again - to straighten out what he called - misunderstandings and misinterpretations.

This follows a rumor in Congress that a compromise, which is being kept so secret, will bring the United Nations into the picture - as the last resort. The prisoners - to be put in the Custody of a Neutral Commission, headed by India. The Chinese and North Korean Reds - to have a chance to persuade them but - no coercion or intimidation. If there should be any prisoners who agree to go back, because they are afraid of what might happen to their families - their case ^{would} ~~will~~ be placed before the United Nations. That's

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the report which some circles in Congress maintain to be correct.

In London, meanwhile, Prime Minister Churchill spoke out strongly, tonight, in favor of the proposal ~~ng~~ given to the Reds - whatever it may be.

MOSCOW

A late bulletin from Moscow states that four men have been executed as "American agents". They are said to have confessed that they were dropped by parachute inside Soviet Russia to do a job of sabotage and spying. The names given are Russian. The plane said to have carried them - described as American. This grim report was published in the Soviet newspaper IZVESTIA.

KOREA - AIR

News of the air war in Korea, today, sounds old - relating that Captain James Jabara shot down two Migs. Remember Jabara, of Wichita, Kansas? He was our first Jet ace - brought ~~back~~ back to the United States last year. Well, Major Jabara is back in Korea on a second tour of duty - and was a star in the air fighting today.

The Migs appeared in force, and twelve were shot down. Jabara getting two.

PHILIPPINES

At Manila, today, General Carlos Romulo went into the presidential race - at the head of a third party. Romulo quit his post as Ambassador to the United States ^{and the U.N. -} to seek the Liberal Party nomination. ^{But} he was opposed by the head of the Party, President Quirino, who seeks another term.

(The Liberals are holding a political convention, ~~and Romulo~~ and a Romulo-Quirino battle was on. Which narrowed down to a question of - voting procedure. Romulo lost in the vote on that issue - and bolted. He and his supporters gathered in a meeting of their own - and, today, announced ~~in~~ the formation of the "Liberal Democratic Party." With Romulo as its presidential nominee.)

This makes the Philippine political campaign a three-cornered affair, the Conservatives - having their own candidate in the race.

Political affairs in the island out there are of large ~~importance~~ importance for this country, and American interest is

heightened by General Carlos Romulo and his third party.

Romulo - who was with MacArthur on Bataan, and emerged as a
Philippine hero of the Second World War.

In Kenya, East Africa, the police reported that they cornered and killed - Brigadier Simba, one of the most ferocious leaders of the Mau Mau. In the local African speech, "simba" means "lion." That lion of the Mau Mau promoted himself to Brigadier, and made his name a terror.

There was a Mau Mau raid on a farm, with savage murders. And the fear-stricken people said - Brigadier Simba. Security forces got on the trail, and finally ^{(tracked/}~~trapped~~ their quarry to a secret hiding place. A cave - the ~~the~~ lair of Brigadier Simba and his Mau Mau gang. There was a gunfight, and the ~~the~~ ^{terrorists} in the cave were killed. ^PThe police found Brigadier Simba wearing the uniform and full insignia of a British colonel. Where he got it - nobody knows. A colonel ranks a cut below Brigadier in the British Army, and the Lion of the Mau Mau was giving himself all the military pomp and circumstance he could find.

DULLES

In Turkey, the Cabinet of President Celal Bayar held a long session - as reported in a dispatch to the New York Times today. The Ministers put their final okay on an elaborate memorandum, setting forth the economic and military position of the Turkish republic. This - to be presented to American Secretary of State ~~John Foster~~ Dulles, who arrived in Turkey today, ^{nearing the end of his tour of the} ~~accompanied by Mutual Security Administrator Harold~~ ^{Near and Middle East.} ~~Stassen.~~

^{The} ~~this~~ dispatch, from the capital city of Ankara, ^{present} illustrates the importance of the Dulles mission ~~to the Near East~~ - conferring with governments out there on the defense of that all-important part of this globe. Turkey, ~~is~~ the last stop ~~on~~ his tour of Moslem countries - which, in so many respects, hold the key to the ^{world} situation.

~~This takes us to another segment of Islam, from which we have a first hand report, Voices - from the Persian Gulf, a recording that illustrates the fact that Western technology is not so perfect in these parts.~~

INTRO THORNBURG-LT Jr.

For several minutes now we are going to hear two voices from the other side of the world. In the Arabian Nights Sindbad the Sailor lived at the head of the Persian Gulf and had some of his fantastic adventures in the nearby islands. Of the two voices one will be my son, Lowell Jr., who once again is on his way around the world, this time in connection with Cinerama, making arrangements with various governments. He and his wife have stopped off in the Persian Gulf to visit Max Thornburg who knows more about the Middle East than anyone I know. ----

In this cold war period there are four ^{vital} ~~major~~ areas where we are threatened by the tide of Russian Communism: ~~the Iron Curtain in~~ Germany and Austria; the Middle East; Indo-China; and Korea.

Many ~~experts on world affairs~~ feel that our gravest threat, sooner or later, will come in the Middle East, ~~for a variety of reasons,~~ but mainly ~~we~~ because we now get nearly half of our petroleum from there. Without those oil fields no man knows what would happen to us. And then, the Near and Middle East is the bridge between the vast Soviet Empire and the riches of Africa, on which we also now depend so much.

You will hear Lowell Jr. asking Max Thornburg questions about this.

Incidentally, the electrical power plant on ^{the} ~~this~~ island in the Persian Gulf must be a bit eccentric because the voices ^{come over} ~~speaks~~ more slowly than ~~is natural,~~ ^{normal,}

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also some background noise caused by the waves rolling up on the island.

And now here we go across the Atlantic, beyond the Mediterranean and on to the far side of Arabia.

AFTER THORN. - LT JR.

Thursday nite I hope to have another transcription from Max Thornburg, with Lowell Jr. asking him another question or two on the Middle East which is now so vital to us.

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ROSENBERGS

Another appeal by the Rosenbergs has been turned down - Chief Justice Vinson, today, denying a request for a stay of execution. The lawyer for the condemned atomic spies asked for a delay, so that he might make another appeal to the Supreme Court - a fourth. The rejection by Justice Vinson does not prevent a fourth appeal. It only means that a date of execution might be set, before the Supreme Court could issue a ruling.

At Northford, Connecticut, they're hailing Will Warren - who is, undoubtedly, the oldest active cow milker in the world. He's eighty-six, and operates a dairy farm that's been in the family for one hundred and twenty-five years.

So how long has he been milking cows? Well, he explains it like this:

"I started going to school when I was six, and my father decided - if I was old enough for school, I was old enough for work." Which sounds like the old-time farmer spirit.

So he milked his first cow at six, but he didn't really take up the job in a big way until three years later, when he was nine. He tells how his father was away, attending the Philadelphia Centennial Exposition in Eighteen Seventy-Six, leaving the work to be done by the regular farm-hand.

"Well," says Will Warner, ^{"that farm hand"} ~~the~~ got into the cider barrel, and there were eleven cows to be milked. No one else was available, so I went ahead and milked the whole string of them."

The nine year old boy did it so well that his father gave him the regular job - and, in the eighty years ever since, Will has milked enough cows to fill ten million glasses. Evidently he's kept out of the cider barrel, Nelson.