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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

(The Moscow radio denies that Soviet troops are massing in Manchuria. This denies the statement made by Speaker of the House of Representatives, Congressman Rayburn of Texas -- who implied that Russian troops were in the mobilization of Red soldiers.)  
This now is denied by Moscow.

SUB KOREA

( The latest in Korea pictures a general advance ) along thirty-eight miles of critical battle front -- eight American and allied divisions pushing ahead. This follows bitter fighting for two days during which time the U N forces were halted by desperate Red resistance, ( the Communists fighting it out bitterly in their powerful fortifications. But now they are being driven out, the advance continuing above the Thirty-Eighth parallel. )

KOREA - AIR

The immediate point of guessing in the Korean war is about the new Air Force that Soviet Russia has handed over to Red China. Today in Washington, ~~an~~ a spokesman for the Air Force confirmed the fact, and said that a build-up of air power in Red Manchuria has been spotted by American planes.

<sup>U.N. planes</sup>  
These, of course, are forbidden to fly across the border, the Yalu River. But, winging high on the Korean side, they have observed air preparations in Manchuria.

So, how ~~is~~ important is this? How will it effect the course of military events -- the Reds throwing in squadrons of warplanes to support their spring offensive? An answer is given by United Press Correspondent, William Burson, who quotes American Air Force commanders in Korea. They don't believe that the new Chinese Air Force can have any great effect. They say it is impossible for the Chinese Reds to do a real job of coordinating air and ground in a spring offensive.

It's largely a question of -- bases.

If the Red planes try to operate from flying fields in Manchuria, where they are safe, the distance is too far for their jets to be effective. Jet planes haven't the range. So they would have to operate from Korean bases short distances behind the fighting lines, and they have no such bases in Korea. Nor have they the facilities for the highly technical job of establishing them. Not in the face of the constant American air attacks.

~~What they might try to do is to send standard propeller bombers down from Manchuria to give bombing support to their spring offensive.~~

~~But, The American Air officers declare that squadrons of big bombers, the standard ~~is~~ propellor kind, would be sitting ducks for the American jet fighters.~~

All of which leads those Air Force officers to say that General MacArthur, wanting to bomb Red bases in Manchuria, hasn't got Red air power in mind, especially. He wants to get at the Manchurian railways,

and highways, along which the hundreds <sup>of</sup> ~~and~~ thousands  
of Chinese Red soldiers must be transported. He wants  
to hit the streaming hordes of Communists and is not  
bothered particularly about any danger of the new  
Red air power.)

MACARTHUR\*PARLIAMENT

We all know that General Douglas MacArthur has his arguments with the political high and mighty in Washington, and that would seem to be enough. But now, along comes the ~~in~~ British Parliament, with a blast against the Supreme Commander. Not that this emanates from the Prime Minister, or anything like that. The <sup>fling</sup> ~~blast~~ at MacArthur is taken by a left wing M P in the Labor Party. <sup>TP</sup> In the House of Commons -- he, today, called for a vote of "no confidence." That's the way Parliament ~~shatters~~ overthrows the Ministry, voting "no confidence." <sup>So</sup> ~~and now~~ the Labor M P wants the same thing applied to the military Commander for the U N in the Far East. He wants to rebuke the leadership of MacArthur on the ground that the Supreme Commander interferes in matters that are not military at all. But here's the charge, verbatim -- in all the dignity and state of British parliamentary verbiage:~

"That the House deplores the continual refusal of General MacArthur to refrain from reckless

and irresponsible participation in political controversies and observes with growing anxiety the extent to which his interventions in matters outside his range of authority create confusion in the United Nations and bring comfort to its enemies."

Which string of big words, ~~is~~ is just another way of saying -- the General doesn't mind his own business.

*But it is believed the members of  
The Commons will vote down the Labor M.P.*

STALIN - PRIZE

The Soviets have awarded their peace prizes, and these go ~~xxx~~ to one <sup>one Englishman</sup> Frenchman and two Americans. The Atomic physicist ~~is~~ Professor Joliot-Curie, and Dr. Hewlett Johnson, the so-called "Red Dean" of Canterbury. The Two Americans are the Reverend Arthur Moulton, a retired Episcopal Bishop in Utah - and -- Mrs. Eugenie Cotton -- for activities which she has indulged in, supporting Red peace propaganda. They get the Stalin prize, -- an honor which most of us would not like to have.



SPY

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COLLAZO

(In Washington, capital sentence was imposed today on Oscar Collazo, Puerto Rican terrorist who figured in the shotting affray in front of the Blair House.) Collazo and another Puerto Rican gunman, who was killed, exchanged shots with White House Guards -- one of whom, Leslie Cofelt, lost his life. Judge Goldsborough set October Twenty-Sixth as the date of execution. But, the defense lawyers declare they will appeal right up the line -- to the Supreme Court, if necessary. Whic would delay the carrying out of the sentence.

## DOLLAR LINE

A federal court in Washington did a thing virtually without precedent today -- holding a Cabinet member in contempt of court, because of a policy being pursued by the government. Secretary of Commerce Charles Sawyer and other federal officials are cited for contempt -- in a dispute over the Dollar Line. The government ~~has taken~~ <sup>took</sup> over that steamship company in Nineteen thirty-eight -- because of a federal loan. Recently the court decided that the President of the line, Stanley Dollar is the legal owner. But, the government has refused to hand over control to him. Hence the citation of contempt of court.

*The government, in the person of the Sec. of Com., defying the court,*

All over the United States, Canada and Latin America flags flew at half mast today. So, whom were they mourning? The colors at half mast were over newspaper offices -- so you can guess what it is all about. Honors paid to La Prensa, the famous liberal newspaper of the Argentine which has been so ruthlessly suppressed by the dictatorial government of strong man Peron.

In Los Angeles today, Mickey Cohen said:

"It's bad news." And it sure is bad <sup>to</sup> the extent of an indictment for ~~income~~ tax frauds charging that the big shot gambler and his wife Lavonne, evaded income tax to the tune of One-Hundred-and-fifty-six thousand dollars.

The indictments were rushed through today after Cohen had <sup>stated</sup> ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ that he was going to Tucson, Arizona to take <sup>charge</sup> ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ of a couple of drug stores. A Grand Jury put its okay on charges that could put Mickey Cohen in jail for twenty years, with a possible fifteen years for his wife.

The accusation ~~XXXX~~ states that in Nineteen Forty-six the two of them had a net income of twenty-eight thousand dollars, on which the tax was some ~~Eight~~ eight thousand dollars. But, says the government, they reported only fourteen thousand dollars of income and paid less than three thousand ~~dollars~~ in taxes. Similar frauds for Nineteen Forty-Seven and Forty-eight are charged.

It isn't stated where Cohen got the income. But, during the Grand Jury investigation of his case, a number of gamblers were questioned. So the ~~an~~ deduction might be made -- that it was money from gambling business. Anyway, the indictment was handed down. -- bad news for Cohen. In fact, it was virtually a Mickey!

## TRIAL

In Washington there is a law suit made stately by the frequent mention of high names in government. It's a romantic affair - a love pirate case -- a sort of scandal that seldom involves so impressive a list of Washington personalities. The defendant is Mrs. Gertrude Lamont Saltzman Jones, daughter of Robert Patterson Lamont who was Secretary of Commerce under President Hoover. She was formerly married to Charles Saltzman, who was Assistant Secretary of State in Nineteen Forty-Seven. Her present husband is Mathew Jones, an official of the State Department.

She is being sued by Mrs. Justa Jones, her husband's former wife who charges -- theft of affections. The plaintiff states that the two used to meet in the apartment of William McChesney Martin, who is now head of the Federal Reserve. Moreover, Mrs. Justa Jones declares that her husband told her from time to time he took out Clare Luce - the lady



famous in literature and politics. He would take her out one night and Eric Johnson<sup>7</sup> the other, referring to the former head of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, who was the Czar of the Motion Picture industry and is now head of the Manpower Department of Defense Mobilization. Mrs. Jones says there was nothing improper about this -- but it is all part of the suit for alienation of affections, which features so imposing a list of personalities in government.

## CHERRY TREES

The cherry blossom festival is beginning in Washington and one visitor this year is attracting a lot of attention -- a shy Japanese youth named Yukiyoshi Kunogi. He's going to Washington to make a report on the cherry blossom festival -- to his grandfather. Reason? Well, the grandfather was Mayor of Tokyo when the first cherry trees were sent to Washington as a gift of good will. That was in Nineteen hundred and Nine, forty-two years ago. And that former Mayor of Tokyo is now ninety-one years old. But he is still in politics -- now a member of the Japanese parliament. "I guess he is about the oldest statesman in the world" says his grandson. And he adds: "He has been re-elected to office for sixty years. It's just a tradition to vote for him."

That patriarch of politics is still interested in those cherry trees he sent over long ago. A lot has intervened since then, including a bitter war between the United States and Japan. But that's all

over now and the cherry blossom festival is a Washington favorite. So that one-time Mayor of Tokyo wants a report on it -- from his grandson, who is a student at Columbia University.

## CALLIOPE

Do you know - there are only eight people in the United States who know how to tune a steam calliope? This may seem unimportant, but it points to a profession most exclusive and little noted -- the art of trying to make the notes musical in those shrieking, screaming, noise makers that split your ears, at circuses, carnivals and amusement parks. And here at the Desert Inn, in Palm Springs too. We are here for the 15th Annual Desert Festival which includes a three-ring circus and a calliope.

U P Correspondent Harmon Nichols tells how he discovered one of these rare birds - a calliope tuner - at a Maryland park -- where Bill Buckley was trying to make the notes emanating from the pipes sound as melodious as possible. "So far as I know" said Bill, "there's never been a school for calliope tuners." He said that he himself rose to the art as a boy, beginning as a helper to his uncle -- who was a famous

calliope tuner. "The art" Bill explained "has always been handed down from one generation to the other.

Well, that seems to be a good trade -- because while there are only eight tuners in the country, there are numerous calliopes -- raising an uproar at places of outdoor entertainment. So if you are looking for a profession that's not overcrowded, you might try to become -- a calliope tuner.

And now here's Nelson, who will open up a few stops on his calliope.