

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

One of the worst typhoons has devastated Japan -- according to reports from Tokyo tonight. The howling storm of the Pacific was not the greatest on record, not by any means. The havoc is explained by one word - un-expected.

There was a typhoon to the South of Japan, heading toward the coast of Asia. But it split in two, one section veering off with a surprise blast upon the southern and western shores of Japan. People, who would have got away if warned, were caught in their beds, as the raging wind swept giant seas onto beaches at night.

Houses washed into the sea. Some four thousand homes destroyed. Eighty-one landslides; and, ninety-five bridges washed out. Casualties uncertain, but over a thousand persons already have been reported missing.

No American lives lost, although one sailor

was aboard a passenger ship that sank in the Inland ⁷
Sea. Scores of Japanese aboard apparently lost - the
American sailor picked up later, as he clung to
floating wreckage.

The typhoon hit a wild animal ship and drove
it ashore at Okinawa with seven hundred monkeys, twelve
bears, and a dozen giant snakes. No human lives were
lost but there were casualties among the wild animals -
jungle beasts from Siam.

CONFERENCE

There was a slight difference of opinion at the Washington Airport today, when President Truman welcomed Secretary of State Dean Acheson returning home from the Four Power Conference in Paris. The Secretary of State said: "I don't think we really accomplished too much." But President Truman told him cheerily that he had done - "An excellent job". Well, the contradiction can be reconciled on the ground that the Secretary of State did as excellent a job as possible in a spot where not much could really be accomplished.

The President headed a large and distinguished welcome-home party, after which the Harry Truman ear began listening to a lot of confidential information about the parley of the Foreign Ministers. What, for example? Well, as a hint here's a dispatch from Paris, which says that one result was - a deflation of Vishinsky.

Events at the conference, we are told, made it clear that the Moscow Foreign Minister was merely a minor official carrying out instructions from the boss. On even the smallest matters Vishinsky had to call Moscow to get


instructions. Time and again there were points on which the Western Foreign Ministers, Bevin, Schuman, Acheson, would have made immediate decisions on their own authority - but Vishinsky had to hop to the phone and call the ~~Kremlin~~ Kremlin.

They say it was humiliating for Vishinsky in the mix-up as the conference ended. The Soviet Foreign Minister, having okayed the agreement, was then compelled to ask frantically for a delay, begging for another meeting - to insert a further clause in the agreement already concluded, Orders from Moscow.

All of which coincides with one line of reasoning at the time when Molotov quit the post of Moscow Foreign Minister. It was said that he really had gone on to a more powerful place, dealing with bigger things in the top realm of the politburo. Vishinsky, succeeding Molotov, went to the Paris conference as an object of considerable curiosity. It was his first big conference as Foreign Minister - so how much authority would he show? None at all, says Paris - Vishinsky little more than an

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office boy, on the phone, taking orders from the Kremlin.

The result of the conference is being denounced bitterly by Jugoslavia - the revolting Red puppet. This, because, in the agreements on Austria, Jugoslav claims to territory and reparations were disregarded - the Soviets agreeing that Red Marshal Tito should get nothing. Which, of course, is to be interpreted as a slap at the disobedient satellite - and the Tito Government responds by screaming.

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In contrast - the Moscow radio tonight is jubilant, announcing what it calls: "Definite progress in the consolidation of international cooperation." Moscow propaganda is hailing the result of the conference as a victory for - "Stalin diplomacy", and acclaims the parley as a valuable step toward peace.

CZECH

The Red premier of Czechoslovakia indicates that the Communist regime will take action against Cardinal Beran. The Premier went on the radio tonight and told the Czechoslav people that, what he called - "Law and justice", will be enforced against the Archbishop, because he prevents Catholic priests from supporting the Red government. "Terrorizing" them, as the Communist put it. The menace he uttered would make it seem more and more as if there would be a repetition of the Cardinal Mindszenty trial.

~~This follows the latest action by the Archbishop, who today dissolved his own ecclesiastical control, and told the bishops and priests of Czechoslovakia to act on their own authority. The reason, we hear, is the fact that a Communist official stationed in the Archbishop's palace sent out a letter to priests, instructing them not to read to their congregations a pastoral message from the Archbishop.- In doing this, the Red official used the prelate's official stationery, and the Archbishop's own seal.-~~

CHINA

The London Government has protested to the Nationalist Regime in China - or what's left of it. Weeks ago, the headlines told of the shooting up of British warships in the Yangtze - the Reds doing the shooting. This time it's the Nationalists, who have declared a blockade of the coast of Communist China. A British vessel, a big steamship, was on its way into the harbor of Shanghai, when it was assailed by Chinese planes, ~~who~~ ^{they} ~~bombard~~ it so badly the craft had to be run on a beach. So Britain protests, and threatens to demand compensation - for a ship attacked by the Nationalists now, after the Communist assaults, getting it from both sides.

DEFENSE

News of a compromise - which may sound like something hopeful in the cold war between East and West. But it's in that hottest of wars - between Navy and Air Force. A concession to the Navy announced by Secretary of Defense Johnson today.

He told it to the graduates of the war college in Washington - although he began with a tone of no compromise at all. He started out by denouncing partisans of the Navy, saying they were engaged in what he called - "A campaign of terror against further unification of the Armed Forces." This, following the cancellation of the Giant Super-Aircraft Carrier, amid Air Force charges that the Navy was trying to take over Atomic bombing - the admirals replying that the Air Force was trying to sink the Navy. Today the Secretary excoriated the offending partisans of the fleet, saying: "They arouse false issues without the substance of truth."

But then he went on to announce that the Navy will be permitted to remodel two flat-tops it has - fix them up so they can launch planes capable of carrying

Atom bombs. The Navy proposed this as a substitute for the "Dream Carrier," and the Secretary of Defense has okayed the plan.

~~He did not say specifically that the two modernized flat-tops would carry Atomic bombers, but he did say that they would be able to handle the "Heavy Bombers" for which the Super-Carrier had originally been intended. We know that the monster flat-top was planned for Atomic bombing - so the logic is obvious. ~~THE~~~~

~~the~~ remodeling of the two will cost Eighty Million Dollars - the the money, said the Secretary, could come out of the One Hundred and Eighty-Eight Million saved when the "Dream Carrier" was abandoned. The Navy right now has six carriers able to launch twin-engine bombers - and soon will have eight, with the two to be remodeled. Eight flat-tops of Atom bomb calibre.

President Truman was in the audience that heard - first, the blast against the Navy partisans, and then the announcement of the compromise.

FIVE PER CENTERS

A double barrel investigation of the Five Per Centers - announced in Washington this afternoon. Both Congress and the Secretary of Defense are going to inquire into stories that Washington lobbyists have been collecting fat fees from business men by claiming that they can deliver government contracts. Payment - Five per cent. Secretary Johnson orders a full dress investigation into the defense forces, threatening to drive out any broker who claims he can deliver business through "Influence." Senator Tobey of New Hampshire says the Five Per Centers should be sent to prison.

COPLON

In the Judy Coplon trial - screaming emotionalism today. This, as the prosecuting attorney was attacking ~~the~~ contention of the former employee of the Department of Justice that her meetings with the alleged Soviet agent Gubitchev were based on love and romance, not espionage.

The government lawyer asked the girl suddenly - had she not, on January Seventh, spent the night in a hotel room with a man named Shapiro? That produced the screaming outbreak - from both Judy Coplon and her mother.

However, the witness did not persist for long in frantic denial. She became calm, admitted she had spent a series of nights in hotels with Shapiro, but insisted that they had merely, in her words, "Discussed a lot of things." She admitted that on one occasion she had spend the night with Shapiro, and then had gone to work in the Department of Justice, and from there to New

York, where she met Gubitchev. *The man in the case, Shapiro, is identified as a lawyer in the Dept of Jus.*

That was followed by testimony in which Judy said that Gubitchev told her he was anti-Soviet and wanted to become an American - and it all grew very confusing.

YALE

Yale is not going to have any loyalty oath, and also - no Communists. This was stated today by University President Charles Seymour - Yale's contribution to the widespread uproar about Red professors. There have been proposals to make all college teachers take an anti-Communist oath of loyalty to the United States, but *the Elc* Prexy says: "We know our faculty and trust them in their allegiance." But, at the same time, no Communists will be accepted on the teaching staff at Yale.

President Seymour, decrying a "Witch Hunt", pointed out that Yale used to have a conformity oath, pledging professors to religious belief and government loyalty. But that was abolished more than a Hundred and Twenty-Five years ago, when President Seymour's own great Uncle ran things at Yale - President Jeremiah Day.

Going back still further, Yale has not fired a prexy for his beliefs, not in Two Hundred and Twenty-Seven years. Today, President Seymour put it in these words: "I am glad to say that Yale has not dismissed a President for ideological irregularities since, in

Seventeen Twenty-Two, our congregational corporation relieved President Timothy Cutler of further duties because of his leanings toward the Episcopal Faith."

Which certainly was an ideological mis-step in those days, when the stern congregationalists of New England Puritanism frowned on the Church of England. But, of course, it's different today - a Communist being seldom an Episcopalean.

KLAN FOLLOW YALE

In Alabama - a Baptist preacher, who claims to be an official of the Ku Klux Klan, states tonight that he will make a full revelation about the hooded order. He says he will tell the state legislature, in his own words - "All about the Klan and its recent activities."

He is the Reverend Alvin Horn, who says he is a member of the K.K.K. Board of Governors in Alabama, and gives his reason as follows: "We don't want to see a return of carpet bag government." He thinks that, to forestall federal intervention, the doings of the hooded gangs should be stopped.

In the Alabama Legislature tomorrow, a committee will hold hearings on the Ku Klux Klan, and the Minister says he will testify and tell the whole story.

DIVERS

This evening once again that never ending lure - treasure trove. But this time the quest for hidden gold is not in remote romantic waters of the orient or the tropics, but off the Jersey coast - where, in fact, there's a long legend of sunken wealth.

Back in Eighteen Ninety-Eight, the steamship Delaware sank off Point Pleasant, with Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars in gold. Previous efforts have been made to salvage the glittering cargo at the bottom of the sea, so now a new attempt by two young deep sea divers, Floyd Sharp and William Conway. Today they report - they have located the wreck of the Delaware, and are on the trail of the Quarter of a Million down there in Davey Jones' Locker.

Floyd Sharp explains that his interest goes back to Nineteen Thirty-Six - when, as a boy, he heard of a treasure hunt by Simon Lake, so prominent in the invention of the submarine. Simon Lake sought the Delaware gold, but had to give it up for lack of funds, ~~he~~ never did find the wreck of the ship.

But Floyd Sharp kept dreaming about it. He looked up old-timers along the Jersey coast, and found several who had seen the sinking of the steamer when they were young. From what they told him, he made charts - and these were the basis for the present venture.

"We've been diving down almost every day," Floyd Sharp relates. "The hull is rotted, and only about a hundred feet of the two hundred foot vessel are still intact. The rest of the ship is spread around the bottom." To which he adds: "We've found some sign of gold aboard." So there's the vision of treasure trove off the Jersey coast.

GOLF

From Sharon, Pennsylvania, news of a remarkable contrast - the horrible and the wonderful. It happened in the royal, ancient and freakish game of golf.

The horror came at the Fourteenth Hole of the Tam O'Shanter Country Club, and the ghastly shot was made by Al Thomas of Youngstown, Ohio. Now, Al is not a bad golfer, but you know what can happen to even the best of us, the kind of disgraceful shot we can make sometimes or often. Al teed off, and it was murderous. He sliced, ~~or slipped, or something,~~ and the ball hit a nearby tree, bounced off, and smacked Al in the eye - which left him with a beautiful shiner. If that had been me, I would have tried to crawl right down into the Fourteenth Hole. But Al Thomas, of sterner stuff, went right on.

Whereupon the horrible was followed by the wonderful. At the Eighteenth Hole, with his black eye growing more livid all the time, he sank a hole-in-one. Which would seem to entitle him to a pair of trophies - the rankest kind of booby prize along with the gold medal.

PRINCESS

Now a wedding - accompanied by a sentimental sigh, always appropriate at a wedding. It's an international marriage with an element of royalty. So that sentimental sigh is international too, and emanates from royalty. Princess Cecilie of Hohenzollern, Granddaughter of Kaiser Wilhelm - der Kaiser of the First World War. Today, she was married to Clyde Harris of Amarillo, Texas - whom she met when he was on duty in Germany right after the war, over there on a mission of tracing German art.

The wedding today was solemnized at a great Hohenzollern castle, built by a medieval baron a Thousand years ago, and heirlooms of the royalty of Prussia glittered in the ceremony. The ritual, Lutheran, was in German - though the bridegroom from Amarillo, Texas, doesn't speak German. So an interpreter told him when to say the fateful word, and what word to say - Ja. But that was not the sentimental sigh. It must be hard to give it a romantic, languishing note when you say - Ja.

The newlyweds are going to make their home in

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Amarillo, and maybe the Texas Panhandle is not so romantic either. But today the Princess exclaimed: "I hope to go to ^{the Panhandle} Texas soon." And, she murmured in a tone soft and mellifluous: "Amarillo is such a beautiful name."

Well, so it is. It sounds like Amaryllis, of whom the classical poet sang - Amaryllis the shepherdess of Arcadia. Well, they have some sheep down in the Texas Panhandle also sheep herders. So maybe there might be an Amaryllis in Amarillo. Could be! - Ja.

Are you there, Nelson ?