

GERMANY

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A dispatch from Germany reports that the great coal fields of Saxony are in flames. The Communist operated pits were set on fire -- by the workers.

This is the salient point in the latest news of revolt in the Soviet zone. East German workers still on the rampage. Even housewives joining the anti-Communist demonstrations. In Cities like Erfurt, Dessau, Halle, throngs of women massing in front of buildings of the Red government. Housewives shouting, "we want bread for our children.

Reports continue -- of mass arrests. The estimate is -- that fifty thousand have been thrown into Communist prisons.

At the same time, the iron-fisted rule of the Soviet Red Army has been relaxed -- in East Berlin. The curfew has been called off, and Russian troops are being withdrawn from the city. Martial law may be called off soon. Order has been restored in East Berlin -- but that's the only place.

RUSSIA

In Russia the Soviets are always ~~xxxx~~ having trouble with free enterprise. -- ^{Something that} ~~xxxx~~ insists on cropping up in spite of all that Communist theory. The latest, what they call -- a "leech trading syndicate". Private business -- dealing in those blood sucking critters, used so much in primitive medicine.

Pravda, official newspaper of the Russian Communist party, says the syndicate shipped leeches from Baku, in the Caucasus, to Moscow. The enterprising business men -- Abdulla Mamdov and his cousin Ali Hussein. Both -- Moslems. The two ~~xxxxxx~~ speculators bought leeches in Baku for eighteen Kopecks each, and sold them in Moscow for one rouble and twenty Kopecks a piece. ~~Plenty of profit -- and the leech syndicate cleared a gain of~~ ^{The 'leech syndicate' cleared} ~~one million roubles in~~ the past six years.

This recalls one of the strange details in ^{tales} the news of Stalin's death -- the ~~physical~~, medical statement that he had been treated with leeches, to

reduce Blood pressure. Western physicians were surprised. Leeching, as a way of blood-letting, belongs back in the days of medieval medicine. ~~But, the Red dictator got that obsolete kind of treatment, and today an uproar about a "leech trading syndicate".~~

KOREA TRUCE

The truce dilemma was more snarled up than ever today.

The Reds reject the message handed them yesterday. In which General Mark Clark told them that it was impossible to recapture the masses of anti-Communist prisoners released by South Korean President Syngman Rhee; but suggesting that the armistice be signed anyway.

The Communist reaction was prompt. The Red radio denounces the Clark message as "insincere". In fact they blame the American command for the Syngman Rhee defiance.

At the same time, our negotiations with the South Korean President are at a standstill. Assistant Secretary of State Walter Robertson, envoy for President Eisenhower, had another interview with Syngman Rhee today. But they got no where, we hear. Instead, a South Korean official said: That if the United States wants to withdraw the American Army from Korea, why go ahead.

On the other hand, some top officials in Syngman Rhee's government show increasing opposition to his policy of ~~opposing~~^{wrecking} an armistice. The Defense Minister resigned today, with intimations that he ~~will~~ quit, because he disagreed with Rhee's extreme stand. A dispatch from Seoul adds -- that the Chief of Staff of the Korean Army may step out. His views have been known for some time -- in favor of those armistice terms, which had been agreed on, when Syngman Rhee tossed the Korean monkey wrench.

KOREA AIR

We have another striking illustration of that paradox of Korean skies -- our own victories in the air, as against the admitted superiority of the Soviet built MIG over our own Saber Jet.

Today, the saber jets set a record for M I G's destroyed. They shot down fifteen. Previously, the top total of one day of air battle had been -- fourteen.

Our pilots are saying: Turkey shoots. Which illustrates their attitude toward ski fights with enemy jets -- like shooting turkeys.

But here's what Major James Jabara, Wichita, Kansas has to say: Today he shot down two more M I G's giving him a total score of fourteen. After the battle was over, he sat talking with a newsman and ~~said~~ ^{remarked}: "I'd like to run that M I G outfit up there for a week. I could make our own saber jets look sick. M I Gs" he said, "can climb better than our Sabers and in some ways they perform better".

So what's the answer?

Well, it is what we've heard before: "Most

of ~~the~~ ^{their} pilots are no good," says the Major. "They

lack leadership. They don't have any team work. If one of our boys gets into trouble, we'll risk our necks to save him. But they won't do the same for their pilots."

~~So that's the solution of the puzzle --~~
~~while our fliers win the victories, they have the~~
~~better plane.~~

EUROPEAN AID

The Senate today voted - to give President Eisenhower the authority to withhold one billion dollars in European Military Aid, as he sees fit. Withhold the money until the unified European Army has been ratified - - all according to his own judgment.

The Senate action followed an amendment passed by the House of Representatives -- which made the withholding of the money mandatory. In the Senate, the argument was that this would "tie the President's hands."

CONFERENCE

The conference of the Foreign Ministers of the Western Big Three will be held in Washington. Probable date -- July tenth. So stated today by Secretary of State Dulles. It is to be a preliminary, of course, - preliminary to the top level Bermuda conference which has been postponed indefinitely, until British Prime Minister Winston Churchill recovers from fatigue.

Washington says this preliminary meeting of the Foreign Ministers will not make full scale decisions. They'll merely be an exchange of opinions on such matters as a possible four power conference with Soviet Russia.

DOUGLAS

A congressional sub committee declares against - the impeachment of Supreme Court Justice Douglas. The hearing was held today, but it didn't amount to much. The only witness -- Congressman Don Wheeler of Georgia, who demanded the impeachment,, because of the stay of execution granted by Justice Douglas in the Rosenberg case. The Congressman himself had to admit that Douglas had a legal right to what he did. But he charged "moral turpitude."

The sub-committee chairman, Congressman Graham of Pennsylvania told ~~the Congressman~~ ^{him}: "You have not fully comprehended the depth of these charges in a legal sense, which we ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ^{lawyers know and} understand." The point of that being that the Georgia legislator is a farmer and used to be a school teacher.

~~Committee member Congressman Walter of Pennsylvania said the impeachment resolution provided material for Communist propaganda. The sub-committee tossing out the move to impeach Justice Douglas.~~

AIR FORCE

Today the Air Force said "solong" with a voice of thunder. Goodbye to General Hoyt Vandenberg. At Bolling Field, near Washington, two thousand airmen marched and saluted -- their retiring Chief of Staff. While fifty-seven jet planes roared across with that screaming roar of jets.

General Vandenberg served in the Air Force for more than thirty years. The last five, as the Chief. His final battle was an assault on the Administration budget -- which would cut five billion dollars from Air Force funds.

His successor is -- General Nathan Twining, who today becomes Air Force Chief of Staff.

WJR

At the Michigan State prison, inmates earn a mere pittance, five to twenty cents a day. But they have raised a fund of five hundred dollars -- all because of the way a Detroit radio handled that recent tornado story, when the twister devastated Flint, Michigan. Station W J R put on a two-and-a-half hour show - to raise funds for the tornado victims and then George Cushing urged the cause of relief in a news broadcast on Sunday.

The response climaxed by the convicts at the State Prison inviting George Cushing to come up to Jackson to accept their tornado relief check -- an honor George is accepting proudly.

WEATHER

~~Here in Detroit it looked like we were in~~
~~for a tornado. And that~~ They are jittery about
tornados in these parts, and no wonder, after the one
that hit ~~fi~~ Flint such a savage blow. Hitherto
tornados have been rare in Michigan. Well, this
afternoon, we had a storm that had everything but
the funnel-shaped cloud. I was just coming out of a
Kaiser Motors-CBS luncheon, at the handsome new War
Veterans Building overlooking the Detroit River. ~~the~~
It grew as dark as night -- so dark all the city
lights came on automatically. And it was accompanied
~~xxx~~ by a deluge, with thunder and lightning.

The irony of it was that during the luncheon
W J R news man Jack White gave his regular broadcast
from the head table, including the weather man's
forecast that it would be clear and sunny all day!
How does the weather man explain it? Oh, he says
it was a line squall that developed suddenly,
unexpectedly, over Lake Huron and swept down on
Detroit with roaring fury. Rather fearsome it was

while it lasted. But now it's cool in Detroit, and what a relief! Later word! Today's storm wrecked communications in 26 Michigan cities and towns. Heavy damage reported.

Meanwhile, the thermometer hit ninety-six in Chicago today. Most of the middle west having a heat wave.

CBS

CBS, in New York, had a television drama today -- which had never been programmed. A wild man on a rampage -- stabbing a TV cameraman and an actor. ^RThe assailant named Richard Gaughan, an Army veteran, got into the CBS T V studio, and dashed onto the stage -- where performers and technicians were busy with a scene. He had a knife in each hand and yelled: "I'm an actor. I'm an actor." ^RThere was a wild pandemonium, in the middle of which cameraman Patrick McBride ducked around, and tried to disarm the mad man. McBride was stabbed in the chest and neck, seriously injured. Actor Erik Dressler tried to intervene, and he, too, was stabbed. After which, the frenzied assailant broke a water pitcher over ^{the actor's} ~~his~~ head.

Then he dashed out. The T V ~~people~~ people in full pursuit. There was a chase down the street which ended when ^a policeman subdued Gaughan, ^{Who told them: "I hate television". He said} he detested ~~both radio and~~ television, especially such features as baseball and boxing.

Well, we all have our likes and dislikes. But we don't often display them -- with such vigor.

MONKEY

In Pittsburgh, today, they were able to catch a fugitive monkey -- finally. If there ever was a paradise for simians that monkey was in it. Brought from South America, the lively critter with ^a ~~the~~ long tail got loose, in the establishment of John Cantanzarro. The monkey -- scampering to freedom in a big warehouse. Mr. Cantanzarro deals in fruit, and the warehouse was ~~ex~~ crammed with bananas. What a paradise -- for a South American monkey.

They tried to capture him, but it was no ~~ex~~ go. The monkey -- swinging by his tail from rafters ^{to rafter, and} dodging around among the mountains of bunches of bananas. Four days of that, until today. When they were able to capture the ^{fugitive,} ~~monkey~~ Just walked up, and grabbed him. The monkey so full of bananas he couldn't move. After four days of gorging in the banana warehouse he had eaten himself sick.

FASHION

On the news wire a dispatch from San Francisco tells of a spip of sleet - I mean a slip of speech, which is the thing that can happen to any of us -- especially those who talk for a living. I've made many a bobble myself, and can sympathize. In fact I just made one.

At a fashion show, a commentator was describing the new styles. Coming to one article of apparel he said:

"Ladies, this belt can be worn to the smartest affairs -- "with or without the dress."

That got a laugh -- the vision of the lady tripping along clad only in the belt. Not even a slip.

Take care, Mike keep your eye out for a slip.