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The General Assembly of the U N tonight adjourned -- without taking action on the proposal for Korea, which would give General MacArthur implied power to push on above the Thirty-Eighth ~~XXXX~~ Parallel. Matters were delayed, when Vishinsky got up and made a long noisy speech, lasting for an hour and a quarter -- the usual diatribe, denouncing the United States as the aggressor in Korea. The resolution is sure to pass tomorrow.

KOREA

There's little news from Korea, - about the Americans, at least. Today, General MacArthur threw a veil of secrecy over the massing of the U.S. troops on the thirty-eighth parallel, the sector north of Seoul. He's covering the character of the blow he is trying to strike, and there are rumors of more amphibious invasions - thrusting to the rear of enemy defenses. The Reds appear to anticipate something else - reports telling of Communist mines both in the water and on the beaches. - ~~along lines of shore.~~

But General MacArthur is keeping his plans and preparations to himself, and today released information - only about South Koreans. Another of their divisions has driven across the thirty-eighth parallel, which makes three now - with special attention on that one along the east coast - which has driven so deeply into Red territory, advancing another fifteen miles today.

FOLLOW KOREA


The latest tonight - a Tokyo dispatch stating that Air Force pilots report two convoys of enemy tanks moving southward to strengthen the Red front. One armored column was assailed, and smashed heavily by air attack.



SUB LEAD PRISONERS

From Tokyo, the word that the High Commander of the United Nations is preparing - "an international rogues gallery." That is, a list of Communist Koreans who are to be prosecuted as war criminals, responsible for the Red atrocities. Thus far thirty names have been marked down, and an investigation is being made to identify the top-ranking Communists who ordered - the wholesale murders. A number of war criminals have already been arrested, and others are being captured every day - to stand trial for the massacre of two thousand free Koreans and one hundred and seventy Americans.

This is a timely occasion to notice a letter I have, a letter from Miss Frances Harmon





PRISONERS

~~I have a letter here that has a bearing on the next~~  
~~item of news on tonight's list. It's from Miss Frances Harmon,~~  
of Pontiac, Michigan, who writes: "In listening to your  
broadcast about the capture of Seoul, I notice that the  
Communist atrocities, so prominently stressed by other  
broadcasts, were omitted by you. I wondered about this omission  
— is it a fixed policy? Maybe Communist atrocities are to be  
soft pedalled," says the disapproving lady at Pontiac, Michigan.

Well, I admit that, sometimes, I have shirked the ~~night~~  
stories of Red horror <sup>— often</sup> mentioning the murderous crimes of the  
Communists, but not dwelling on the gory details. Perhaps  
I find it too ~~painful and~~ revolting to talk about, and ~~just~~  
~~shrink away.~~

Tonight, (for example), there <sup>happens to be</sup> a prisoner-of-war story  
that's pleasant to relate, and I feel like telling it - as a  
relief. Most American prisoners-of-war →

~~Here is a story that is a relief - after all those accounts of Red atrocities. Most American prisoners-of-war,~~  
who have escaped or been released, tell of brutal treatment, and some witnessed the murder of comrades. But not Lieutenant Howard Smith of San Diego, California, Lieutenant Thomas Jones of Champaign, Illinois, Private Jack Pridley of Tucson, Arizona, and Private Joseph Charland of Waterville, Maine.

Today they were back with their comrades, after having been prisoners of the Reds for nearly a month. They say they were treated well, and Lieutenant Smith declares, "Two of our guards were princes." First, the Communists took everything they had - but later returned their personal effects. They were asked a lot of questions, and gave nonsensical answers - telling the Reds, for example, that each American division had twenty thousand vehicles, tanks, and so on. Which answer was accepted. ~~The~~ <sup>The</sup> way to get along was to pretend to accept Communist propaganda. "Then we got food and cigarettes," they say. The main trouble was food, boiled

oats and wheat. But their own guards didn't get much more. Well, it's an old story in war - some prisoners brutalized, and others treated well, depending largely on the character of the individual enemies into whose hands they fall.

The five American soldiers brought back one interesting piece of military information - saying that the Communists are terrified by the American warplanes - which they fear much more than tanks or artillery. They attribute nearly all the havoc to the planes. Even when it's a case of shell fire from artillery or tanks, they blame it on the war birds - and the sound of motors in the sky will send the Reds running for their lives.



INDO-CHINA

The Reds are on the march in Indo-China. A French  
army dispatch telling<sup>s</sup> of a Communist offensive along a  
thirty-five mile front near the Chinese border. This  
compelled the French to retreat from two frontier posts -  
and they had already lost four others.

This confirms indications that we've been having  
right along - that the Reds of Indo-China, with bases in  
Chinese territory, <sup>have been</sup> ~~are~~ working up <sup>to</sup> ~~an~~ all-out offensive. The  
French military authorities express an urgent eagerness  
to get shipments of American armament - as promised by  
President Truman.

AUSTRIA

In the Soviet zone of Austria - huge demonstrations by workers today. Sounds like the same old thing - Red demonstrations. But it was the other way around - the rally of the workers was anti-Communist. Which took a lot of courage - in the Soviet zone. But at two Austrian towns, the Reds were defied by large crowds - <sup>that</sup> ~~which~~ were celebrating the break-down of a general strike ~~that was~~ called by the Communists. The Reds ordered the Austrian workers out, and they were out today - but not on strike. Instead, they were cheering the failure of the walkout.

BASEBALL

The general impression I got from the ball game this afternoon was -- that experience won out. The Phillies outhit the Yanks -- ten to nine. But lost the ball game -- three to two. <sup>(I was at the game, and it)</sup> ~~It~~ seemed to me that the Whiz Kids were just as good as the veteran World Series champs, better in some respects -- but, in the end, experience told the story. When the clutch came, it was the young team that wobbled just enough to let in the hand of defeat. They made errors, when an error hurt badly, -- while the ~~YANK~~ Yankees were steady in the pinches, <sup>and</sup> finally took advantage of an opening and won -- in the ninth <sup>again.</sup> <sup>Excitement and suspense right up to the</sup> <sup>late</sup> <sup>finish.</sup> inning. Second Baseman Gerry Coleman was the hero -- with three hits out of the seven the Yankees made. He drove in the first run, scored the second, and then drove in the third, the winning marker.

~~I was there and I was there and I was there~~

~~Whiz Kids right up to almost the end of the game~~



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~~expected.~~ One bright feature was to see Dick Sisler make a comeback, after it looked as if he might be the Series goat -- ending the first two games with strike outs. But today Dick Sisler got his big hit when he came up in the sixth and Dell Ennis was on base, having hit a double. Sisler ~~had~~ hit the first ball for a clean single, and drove in the second Philadelphia run.

## FISHERMEN

At Gay Head, Massachusetts, today, two fishermen told a tale of shipwreck and terror - and it's one of the strangest in the long annals of the sea. Their boat sank in a storm, on Sunday night, but they were able to get into a dory, and land was nearby. So they got safely onto the beach. This was Massachusetts, not far from Martha's Vineyard. So what's the thrill? Why the terror?

Yes, Lee Broderick of Fairhaven and Albert Gadapee of New Bedford, were safely on the beach - but then they recognized the place. An island, a desolate sandspit - and they had been there before. That was last year, when Broderick and Gadapee and some other fishermen had narrowly escaped with their lives. Warplanes had come over, bombing the beach - and the fishermen had nearly been blown to Kingdom Come.

The answer? A target island for naval aviation, and planes fly over regularly - blasting the sand spit with bombs, machine gun fire, and rockets. Broderick and Gadapee swore - they'd never

go near that place again. But now, after their boat sank, there they were, recognizing that same place - the target island. The storm was blowing so hard, they couldn't get away in their small dory - so you see their dilemma.

They were afraid the Navy planes might fly over at any time - with bombs, machine guns and rockets. They built a fire, trying to signal passing ships or airplanes - but <sup>both</sup> the traffic of sea and sky keeps away from the vicinity of the target island.

The two fishermen were on the sandpit for four days and four nights - huddled, shivering, scared.

~~Then, yesterday, the sea became quieter - and they were able to get away in their dory. They rowed across to Squibnocket Beach - so worn out from their ordeal, that they collapsed, and could only write a message on the sand: "Call Coast Guard." They hoped a passing plane would spot the message, and that happened - after which a Coast Guard picked up the bedraggled fishermen.~~



Today the Navy said, that the target island was bombed last week, shortly before the two shipwrecked fishermen landed - but no practice attacks were scheduled for <sup>a few more days.</sup> ~~this week.~~ But how could they know that! Today Broderick said: "I expected bombs to burst at any minute - that's what made it four days of torture."

LONDON

In London, the peers of the realm are getting ready for the new opening of Parliament, with all the stately ceremony of the House of Lords - and there's a boom in the clothes rental business. The Lord Chamberlain has issued the dress regulations, and these prescribe that the peers must wear their robes of state. But, under Labor Government Socialism, with its heavy taxation on the upper classes, there are many Lords who no longer can afford to maintain the ~~ERMINES~~ ermine and crimson robes of dukes and earls. Some of them, to increase their income, <sup>as we know</sup> have opened their ancestral castles as show places - the Commoners paying admission, as at a circus.

So a London dispatch states that there's a run on a clothes rental agency near Covent Gardens, where the ermine and crimson robes can be rented for the opening of Parliament. Price - three guineas, eight dollars and eighty-two cents. This agency also provides regalia for Her Ladyship, a duchess or a countess - including the bejeweled tiara.

So, even under Labor Government Socialism, the coming affair of state, October Thirty-First, will be as resplendent as in the days of yore - the days of Victoria.

King George-the-Sixth will preside in customary grandeur -

His Majesty <sup>wearing</sup> ~~wearing~~ the priceless crown of England. The

Commons, as usual, will be a drab and sober sight - in contrast

<sup>to</sup> ~~with~~ the gorgeous robes of their Lordships. ~~But~~ a lot of the

ermine and crimson will come from the clothes rental agency.



## DOG CATCHER

Yesterday President Truman heard from John L. Lewis.

Today he hears from - the dog catcher. When the President said he wouldn't appoint Lewis dog catcher - that was an insult to an old profession. So states W<sub>a</sub>ndell Conley of Omaha, whose official title is - Kennel Manager for the Humane Society Dog Pound.

"People who work with dogs all over the country," he protests, "will resent these cracks about dog catchers."

In this he is backed by his boss, Executive Secretary John Welch of the Nebraska Humane Society, who declares:


"Dog pounds used to be operated in a rather crude manner, and catchers were sometimes low-down characters." But he adds that now, stray dogs are handled by - "people with brains."

In other words, the intellectual dog catcher.

PARENTS

At Atlanta, Georgia - a tragic accident today, when tons of earth slid into a downtown excavation, and took four lives. Tales of heroism were told. One worker, Claude Griffen, said his life was saved by a negro next to him. The negro, himself, was partly buried. But, says Claude Griffen, "he kept brushing dirt away from my head so I could breathe. He was praying the whole time he was getting me free."

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Down in Texas, the case of a mother and her boy, a  
baby nineteen months old. At the town of Roby, Mrs. Jack  
Roberts went next door to talk to the neighbors, leaving the  
little lad in the back yard, playing around. Then she heard  
a funny rattle - which made her dash back to her house. There  
she saw that the cover of a cistern had been removed, which  
had caused the rattling sound - and there was no sign of the  
baby. She didn't even stop to look down - she jumped into  
the cistern. ~~As it was~~ And, down in the water she found the  
child. But she couldn't get out - though, luckily, she found



