

BERLIN

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The State Department calls today's Moscow protest - "premature." The Soviets - complaining about a plan for the West German government to set up a radio station of its own in West Berlin. Which Moscow calls - provocative. "Fanning up the cold war," says the Soviet note.

The Western allies have radio stations in West Berlin - broadcasting ~~to~~ the captive people of East Germany. Which fact has drawn angry complaint - from Khrushchev. So now there's a new howl - against the notion of a West Berlin radio station run by the West German government. The Soviet note contends that this would be illegal - since all Berlin, technically, is still under Allied occupation.

Secretary of State Christian Herter says - the Soviets are hollering before they^are hurt. There being - no certainty that the West German government will go through with its plan. Which has been talked about for a month or so - without any sign of action. Today Secretary Herter told news reporters that a number of German states are against the whole thing.

Contending - that such matters come under their own jurisdiction. Not - the business of the federal government of West Germany.

So the Soviet complaint is - "premature."

INDIA

This afternoon, the Secretary of State issued a special statement. For the purpose - of clarifying remarks he made earlier at a news conference, When he was asked - about the border dispute between India and Red China.

Talking to the reporters, Secretary Herter said - he doesn't know much about the legal rights and wrongs of the controversy. About the frontier line - between India and Tibet, in the lofty Himalayas. The United States - having no specific knowledge on which to base a judgment. This country - assuming that India's claims are valid. Relying on the word of a friend. Otherwise - unenlightened.

Then, shortly afterward - the special statement. Accusing the Chinese Reds - of being utterly at fault in the use of armed force. "Wholly in the wrong," in Secretary Herter's words - for resorting to violence.

The strong declaration - intended , apparently, to reassure India, where there might be repercussions - following the statement that the United States knows little about the legalities of the dispute.

DeGAULLE

President Charles DeGaulle - to visit London in the spring, ^{early} in April. Soon after his talks with Khrushchev in Paris - in March. So announced - in London and Paris, today. In addition to which, of course, DeGaulle will make a trip to the United States, Sometime - soon. His purpose, in making these journeys - to arrive at an understanding with France's Western allies. In preparation - for an East-West conference at the summit.

Which top level ^{session} ~~meeting~~ it now appears - cannot be held before next May. This timing - based on the fact that it would have to follow DeGaulle's London visit in April.

WEATHER

Montana - took a blow today. Hit - by a raging blizzard. Blinding snow - whipped by winds up to thirty miles an hour. The city of Helena - buried under twenty inches. Piling up - huge drifts. Billings, Montana, seventeen inches. Butte - ten inches.

Six lives lost and a number of hunters - marooned in the blizzard. Ten to fifteen thousand sheep and cattle - stranded in the snow-clogged mountains.

From Montana, the snowstorm swept across the great plains. All the way to Chicago - by mid-afternoon. Predictions being - that the whole middlewest will get it. The blizzard - followed by intense cold.

No sign of any such thing in the eastern states, however. Unseasonably warm - in New York. In southern Florida - eighty degrees hot. In Augusta, Georgia, President Eisenhower, today, began a golfing vacation, with the thermometer at seventy-one.

COLLISION

At Windsor, California, a speeding freight train hit a ponderous truck. Smashing into the trailer - and here's what happened.

The rear axle and wheels of the trailer - flying through the air. Soaring - for twenty-five feet. Knocking over a power pole - and cutting off electricity in the whole area.

Then the axle and wheels crashed through the front of a tavern. Knocking bar stools - from under two customers. Hurling a third customer, along with his bar stool - across the room. And another fellow was knocked down. All four - bruised and shaken.

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The driver ~~was~~ truck? Oh, he was just sitting there in the front end of his vehicle. Not even - scratched.

ARIZONA

In the wilds of the Arizona mountains - a gunfight in the style of the Old West. At the town of Florence, today, a grizzly prospector walked in, saying - he shot from the hip. The other fellow - having pulled his gun and fired. ~~Dropping~~
~~in his tracks - as the veteran gold hunter shot from the hip.~~

This is the latest in the story of the "Lost Dutchman Mine." ^{An alleged} ~~xxxxx~~ a fabulous vein of the yellow metal - for which prospectors have sought for years, And - are still seeking. An ambitious gold hunt - run by Mrs. Celeste Marie Jones of Los Angeles, a former singer. Who has crews out in search of the "Lost Dutchman Mine." In the ~~Superstition~~ Superstition Mountains - of central Arizona.

But Prospector Ed Piper is also looking for the treasure. ^{Long has been -} Scouting and searching - in the Superstition Mountains.

~~And - at feud with the gold hunters employed by~~
~~Mrs. Celeste Marie Jones.~~

Previous reports have come in about gunfire in the

desolate wilderness. Ed Piper stating - that, several months ago, he was standing on Weaver's Needle, A towering pinnacle of rock - regarded as a landmark for locating the "Lost Dutchman Mine." When somebody took a shot at him - as he stood up there on high, A bullet - creasing one side of his head.

He blamed it on the rival gold hunters, and now says that one of them was the victim - when he shot from the hip.

ROCKEFELLER

Nelson Rockefeller arrived in Los Angeles, today - beginning his political tour of the west. Talking to an airport crowd that greeted him, he made a definite announcement, *that* He's not a prospect - for Vice-President. Putting it in these words: "I want to say, categorically, that I would not be available for the position of Vice-President - under any circumstances." ~~So~~ So that would seem to be that.

But what about president? He says - that depends. The western tour - partly for the purpose of making up his mind. "I'm out here to meet with GOP leaders and to decide whether or not to run", he explained.

At the airport - advance echoes of what we may hear, next year, if Nelson Rockefeller should be nominated by the Republicans. ~~You know, these campaign slogans, already prepared, just in case. The Los Angeles crowd - whooping it up, today. One adherent - promptly placing on his head a straw hat~~ With the legend - "Rockefeller for President."

In the crowd - a display of placards, with ~~these~~ campaign slogans in advance. One, reading - "Rock around the clock." Another - "Who else but Nelse?"

It sounds pretty terrible? But that's what can happen - when you're a presidential prospect. *So Dick,* They may end up with a campaign song, "For he's a jolly good Rock-a-feller."

ELEPHANT

Headline - from Thailand, the ancient kingdom of Siam. News - of a white elephant.

Blonde pachyderms are sacred. The capture of one in the jungle - a cause for national rejoicing. Only the King may possess a white elephant. So this one, today, was given to His Majesty, Phumiphol Adulyadet.

The ceremony - a fantasy of oriental pageantry. The court astrologers - calculating the exact moment for the presentation. There was a clanging of gongs, a beating of drums - and a chanting of ancient hymns, As King Phumiphol Adulyadet - anointed the white elephant, Giving him the title - of "Lord Respectable." After which the royal tusker was arrayed - with a headgear of purple and gold. His flapping

ears - adorned with white plumes. *PS, Dick, let's join King Phumiphol Adulyadet in saying: -*

^ Hail, all hail - to the white elephant of Siam!