

Over in Italy, Professor August Piccard descended nearly two miles, down into the Mediterranean. Which sets a new world record - by far. Six weeks ago, two French naval officers took a plunge off the port of Toulon, and reached a depth of six thousand, eight hundred and eighty-nine feet. Professor Piccard now makes it - ten thousand, three hundred and thirty-four feet.

It was a spectacular affair today, presided over by the Italian navy. Which financed the experiment, and built the "bathysphere" for deep diving. A contraption ~~built~~ to resist a pressure of one-hundred-and-thirty-two thousand pounds per square inch.

Professor Piccard is now sixty-nine years old, xx
Years ago, he) ~~made~~ made a reputation years ago for altitude, instead of depth. With his twin brother, ~~the~~ ^{he} soared the highest ever - in a balloon.

Today, the veteran scientist was accompanied by a son - on the two mile dive.

The bathysphere, with an odd shape something like a banana, took the plunge off the island of Ponza. No connection with boats on the surface, the bathysphere operating entirely by itself - with a system of compressed air, for sinking and rising. The Piccards were under water for two hours and eighteen minutes - much further down than any human being has ever been before.

STRIKE

The east coast is in for a dangerous longshoremen's strike - the walkout called for ^{at midnight.} ~~tonight~~ The International Longshoremen's Association issued an order today - to tie up Atlantic ports from Portland, Maine, to Newport News, Virginia.

This is all the more grim, because it occurs in the middle of a battle between unions. ~~St. Louis~~ ^{the} I.L.A., was expelled from the American Federation of Labor - on charges of racketeering and gangsterism. An A.F. of L. union has undertaken to organize the Longshoremen - get the members away from the expelled outfit. This has threatened a labor war along the New York waterfront, and now the I.L.A. has ordered a strike against the shipping companies, ~~along~~ along the east coast.

The walkout order follows a break-down of contract negotiations, in which the Union and the Companies could not come to an agreement on a question of wages. The Companies declare that the real reason is the bitter war between rival Unions. The Companies - in the middle.

They ^{are} ~~are~~ asking President Eisenhower to invoke the
Taft-Hartley Law, to stop the strike. ^{all of} - which faces ~~the~~ the
Eisenhower administration with its first major labor crises.

CHIEF JUSTICE

The President ~~Eisenhower~~ made it formal today - announcing the appointment of Governor Earl Warren of California as Chief Justice of the United States. The President described ~~the~~ ^{him} ~~Chief Justice~~ as a moderate progressive, experienced in the law as well as in the operation of government. He said he is confident that - Earl Warren will be a great Chief Justice.

At Sacramento, Warren announces that he will resign as Governor of California at midnight, Sunday. And - will fly at once to Washington, to take his place at the head of the Supreme Court, when the high tribunal meets on Monday.

WARREN

Some people, with a good memory for political matters, are wondering - about that appointment of Governor Warren to the Supreme Court. It is being said - that the Eisenhower administration is paying a debt of political gratitude. Incurred - at the G.O.P. Convention last year. Which sounds a bit puzzling - if you remember.

Ike was nominated on the first ballot; - so, did the California delegation swing to him? Not at all. ^{(They stuck to} ~~Sticking to~~ Governor Warren, the California favorite son - to the bitter end. ~~Warren, the California favorite son - to the bitter end.~~ So where is the debt of political gratitude?

(Well, that came about in the battle behind the scenes - the conflict between the Eisenhower forces and the partisans of the late Senator Taft over the seating of Southern delegations, Georgia, Texas. That was where the Warren forces played their part - for Ike. Sixty-two out of seventy ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxSixty-two out of seventy of the delegationxxxxxxxx~~ Californians voted to seat the pro-Eisenhower delegation) from Georgia - and the Eisenhower bandwagon was rolling.)

Today, Washington Correspondent Lyle Wilson, of the United Press, reminds us - that, in the Taft-Eisenhower battle at Chicago, the real decision came in those preliminary maneuvers, ~~and~~ **T**hat's where Governor Warren earned the debt of political gratitude - which now takes him to the Supreme Court.

EISENHOWER

President Eisenhower promises a report to the nation on the chances of world peace. He says it will be - a very frank report. Which he will give as soon as an estimate has been formed of atomic developments in Soviet Russia. Particularly - with reference to the hydrogen bomb.

The President said that Soviet progress with the H-bomb has compelled the administration to review the defense program of this country - the amounts of money to be spent on it. Which led on to financial angles - the President stating *that he does* ~~that he does~~ not plan to ask Congress for a national sales tax - not a retail sales tax. (Which, however, did not rule out the possibility of a tax at the level of the manufacturer. The administration might possibly ask Congress for something like that.)

British Prime Minister Churchill returned to London today, after his vacation on the French Riviera. Simultaneously, British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden is flying home from Greece. Both statesmen resuming their posts - and foreign policy is reported in the foreground. ¶ The word in London is that the seventy-eight year old Prime Minister will press for, what he calls, his - "grand design." He hopes to end his career with a success in ameliorating the cold war. So he'll press again for a Bermuda conference for the Western Big Three - to arrange a top level meeting with Soviet Russia. That Bermuda conference - which had been arranged, but was called off because of Sir Winston Churchill's illness last June.

U.N.

The U.N. has postponed a debate on the Korean peace conference. Vishinsky, for Soviet Russia, demanded - that the General Assembly go into a full discussion of the deadlock. American Chief Delegate Henry Cabot Lodge opposed this, and today won his point. The U.N. Political Committee postponing a debate - indefinitely.

PRISONERS

General Mark Clark is expected to protest against the regulations prescribed by the Neutral Commission, which ~~the~~ ^{our} officials are calling - a "sell out" of the anti-Communist prisoners-of-war.

The Commission, in charge of prisoners, issued a long set of rules to govern interviews - "explainers" talking to reluctant prisoners. One point - ~~that~~ captives ~~to~~ ^{to be} interviewed individually. And as often as the Red "explainers" desire. Which, we claim, could produce "brain washing", intimidation. American opinion being - that ~~the~~ Reds have won the argument. The Neutral Commission, adopting their view.

The Army has rejected the plan to send to Korea -- mothers of the twenty three Americans who have gone over to Communism. The California Committee of the American Legion made the suggestion - that the mothers might persuade their sons to come home: The Army says it is -- neither practical nor advisable.

INDO-CHINA

France is getting another three-hundred-and-eighty-five-million dollars from us - to apply to the war in Indo-China. So announced in Washington and Paris, with Paris adding - that soldiers now in Germany will be sent on to Indo-China. Moroccan and Algerian ~~2~~ troops - to be reinforced for defense against a Communist attack, which is expected when the rainy season ends in Indo-China.

COLLISION

There was a collision of British warships off the coast of Iceland. The mishap - in the black of night, with a violent storm raging. Thirty-two sailors injured. ^{Luckily} no lives lost, ~~luckily~~. Both ships - returning to port.

The irony was that the light cruiser H.M.S. Swiftsure, had just been "sunk". That is, theoretically - sent to the bottom in war games. ~~These naval exercises, by joint British and American sea forces, are being held in atrocious weather.~~

~~Gales up to eighty miles an hour. In the mythical sea battle,~~

The ~~cruiser~~ Swiftsure ^{bleasted by} ~~was taken under~~ a make-believe fire ~~from~~ by the fifteen inch guns of the British battleship Vanguard.

The judges ruling - that the ~~Swiftsure~~ ^{cruiser} had been sunk.

~~But~~ Then, following this imaginary disaster - came the real one. The Swiftsure ~~was~~ returning to port, in inky darkness of ^{an Arctic tempest,} ~~the northern waters~~, when she ran into the British destroyer Diamond. Both vessels heavily damaged, and fire broke out aboard the Swiftsure. There might have been a tragic loss of life. ~~Which, luckily, didn't happen.~~

The war games in the North Atlantic have run into a series of mishaps. ^{An American} ~~the~~ cruiser Worcester - damaged in the storm, proceeding to port for badly needed repairs. Last night, a British frigate, with two men aboard, ran aground on a sand-bank.

Most calamitous of all, in a mythical sense, was a bombing attack staged by U.S. Navy planes. They were to have assailed a warship, theoretically an enemy. But they made a mistake and bombed the British battleship Vanguard, supposed to be on their side. ~~which certainly was marked down as a~~
~~recce against those American planes in the sham battle.~~

MRS. PATTON

Tragedy struck again today - at the famous name of Patton. The widow of General Patton - killed, when thrown from a horse. The legended Commander of U.S. armor against Nazi Germany met fatality in an automobile accident - soon after the end of World War Two.

The Pattons were both of wealthy, and of distinguished lineage. The General, a member of one of the first families of Virginia, might have had a swanky social career, but preferred Army life - and became a famous commander.

Today, Mrs. Patton, sixty-seven years old - was riding in a "drag" hunt in Massachusetts. Galloping along behind fox hounds - when she was thrown.

Four years ago, a niece of Mrs. Patton fell victim to a similar accident - riding horseback.

BASEBALL

That ball game today had all the elements of excitement - except for a final touch. Which it would have been - those invincible Yankees losing, ~~The~~ under-dog, Dodgers - winning. But, when the Yanks blasted Dodger Star Pitcher Carl Erskine in the first inning, for four runs - that made it seem like "those invincible Yanks" all over again.

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~~But~~ Brooklyn ~~made~~ it exciting - ⁱⁿ ~~with~~ a wild slugging bee. Pitchers knocked out, hits rattling all over the place.

Each side got twelve, and, set a record for total bases.

Forty-six ^{for} ~~xxxxxxx~~ both clubs - the previous ^{World Series} record having been forty-five. When the Yanks played the St. Louis Cardinals in Nineteen Twenty- Eight. Five home-runs were hit - three for the Dodgers, two for the Yanks. Four out of five Brooklyn runs - resulting from homers.

In that kind of game, you don't expect to find any masterpiece of defense. But there was that - also. Seventh inning, two Brooklyn runners on base, nobody out. The Dodgers bunted, twice. And, each time, Yankee Catcher Yogi Berra- threw

the winner out ^{at} ~~of~~ third, ~~base~~. Then Yogi caught a foul ball -
for the third out. I've never seen ~~the~~ slicker defense - by the
catcher. In addition to which - Yogi Berra had a home-run and a
single.

CENTENARIAN

In Crete, - that is in Crete, Nebraska, Lorenzo Sholl celebrates his one hundredth birthday. But, he's not pleased with the state of the world. Today Lorenzo said: "They don't make good corn-bread any more."

He says that nowadays they grind the corn too fine. So, in his words - "It don't taste like nothin!"

The corn-bread may be bad, but, the speakers on the radio are even worse - according to the centenarian. Who declares: "Trouble with the radio, is the announcers talk so fast you can't hear a word they say."

So let's start something, Mike. Lets talk sorta slow - you know, just loaf and say only half as much. Maybe our 100 year old friend out in Nebraska is right. Could be!