

EAST GERMANY L.P.-K. Thure, July 2 - '53,

In Berlin, Western officials declare - they cannot confirm a report of Russian soldiers shot by Soviet army firing squads. Executed - for refusing to fire on rioting German workers.

This is said to have taken place at Magdeburg, where a crowd stormed a jail, to liberate political prisoners. Russian soldiers on duty - were ordered to shoot. But they didn't - and, likewise, refused to arrest Magdeburg workers. After which - eighteen of the mutinous Russian soldiers were executed.

Officials in Berlin say that all they know, positively, is that there is unrest and low morale in the Soviet army of occupation in East Germany. This they learn from deserters.

QUEEN

In North Ireland today, Queen Elizabeth was greeted by a huge throng - it was huge in more ways than one. The crowds included more than ten thousand police and security guards, lining the streets of Belfast.

This followed an explosion, which blew up a railroad bridge between Northern and Southern Ireland. The doing of Irish Nationalists, who have been denouncing the visit, of the Queen, to Ulster. Extremists - protesting against partition. They placed a powerful bomb in the railroad trestle, and up it went. ~~Bying up rail traffic.~~

~~The North Irish police are inclined to blame~~

There was ~~extremists for~~ a mishap yesterday. Her Majesty had just arrived in Belfast - when the electrical power system broke down.

Which tied up the trolley system - and thousands, thronging Belfast for the Queen's visit, were left stranded. The police *today say that* think ~~the~~ electrical break-down was - sabotage.

Tomorrow, Elizabeth the Second goes to Londonderry.

The royal train will be preceded by a special train with a bomb

squad of sixty policemen - precaution against a possible bombing of the railroad.

Precautions are being taken even at an official government reception for the Queen. All guests - checked and double-checked by the police.

The spirit of the Coronation, it would seem, has missed some people - in Ireland.

PIRACY

An American convicted of piracy abroad came home today - uttering loud protests. Sidney Paley, of Jersey City, was found guilty of piracy by a U.S. Consular Court in Tangier, Morocco - and says he's going to protest to the State Department in Washington.

Buccaneering in the Mediterranean may sound like something of a past era, but a Dutch cargo vessel was plundered off Gibraltar last autumn. Sounds like the Jolly Roger, flying at the masthead once again.

Paley, who says he has been in business in Morocco for more than four years, was arrested in Spain, ⁱⁿ Madrid, at the request of the police of the international port of Tangier. The sentence imposed by the U.S. Consular Court was that he should return to the United States, and place himself under the jurisdiction of the federal court - on parole.

He says he was treated in a "most un-American" way. Well, it does sound un-American - convicted of piracy.

KOREA - TRUCE

There's another meeting, tonight, between President Eisenhower's envoy and the rebellious Korean President, Syngman Rhee. Walter Robertson, we hear, is telling Rhee - that his latest note is unacceptable. In that message, the South Korean President rejected Eisenhower arguments for an armistice, and insisted on conditions of his own - unacceptable. So the truce tangle is in as much of a snarl as ever.

KOREA - WAR

On the war-front the Red offensive has petered out completely. In the thirty-seven day campaign against the South Koreans, the Reds ~~threw~~ ^{drove} a bulge two miles deep into the defending line. But they paid for that with huge casualties. Now they seem to be at the end of their resources - for the time being, at least. All along the battlefront, the initiative has passed over to our side - in a whole string of patrol actions, today. Nothing big - but the Reds are on the defensive. At one point on the eastern front, the South Koreans hurled them off a hill ⁴ which the enemy had captured two days ago.

In a valley, deep in the mountains, an enemy tank regiment was hiding today, then spotted - from the air. It wasn't long before fighter-bombers appeared - smashing the tanks with a rain of high explosives.

KOREA - PILOT

And now, folks, meet the latest hero of the air - in Korea. But don't expect a Jet pilot - flashing through the sky at supersonic speed. Our hero, tonight, is a slow-poke.

In the Korean War, the Reds make nuisance raids in old propeller-driven planes. Which skim along over the treetops, and go dodging down in the valleys, and around the hills. The Jets can't touch them - too fast. A pilot of a flashing Sabrejet ^{dive right} would go diving into the ground, if he tried to play hide-and-seek with a hedge-hopper.

So the Air Force, in disgust, handed the problem over to the Navy - and that brings us to Navy Lieutenant Guy Bordelon of Sunnyvale, California.

On Monday, in a ^{slow, propeller-driven} ~~single-engine~~ Corsair, he destroyed two nuisance raiders. One crashed into the sea, while the other gave the Lieutenant - a surprise. He thought he was back in World War One. "The pilot," he says, "pulled a light machine gun out of the cockpit and fired a few rounds."

Last night, Lieutenant Bordelon shot down two more. Making him - the champion of the slow-pokes.

CHINESE NATIONALISTS

The Chinese Nationalists on Formosa announce that Chiang Kai-shek's "lost army" has been brought back. From Indo-China. When the Communists made their sweep of the mainland, the Twenty-Sixth ^oRute Army of the Nationalists was driven south, across the Indo China border, ~~into Indo China. The troops~~ *There they* were disarmed by the French, and placed on a jungle island. *u* There they ~~was~~ remained for some four years - until arrangements were made, recently, to send them to Formosa.

The big transportation job - now complete.

Two divisions, twenty-four ~~thousand~~ thousand soldiers, and five thousand civilian refugees.

This may be followed by another mass evacuation -
Where from Burma. ~~Twenty~~ ten thousand Nationalist troops, who fled from the Reds, have been the cause of ~~constant~~ ^{endless} trouble.
Negotiations are now going on - to send them to Formosa.

APPROPRIATION

The House today voted an okay for the military budget - thirty-four and a half billions. This was accompanied by a vote of confidence for that Eisenhower cut of Air Force money. ^{his} ~~He~~ slashed ~~it~~ ^{it} by five billions, ^{that} which raised the uproar. Today, in Congress, Democrats made a move to restore one billion and three-quarters - that much more for the Air Force. But their amendment was defeated - two hundred and thirty to one hundred and sixty-one. So now the military spending bill goes to the Senate.

FOREIGN TRADE

Tonight, the Senate voted the extension of the Reciprocal Trade Program. President Eisenhower asked that the law be continued for a year. And the Senate says - okay. The House has already passed ^{an extension} ~~a statute~~ and bill, _{the} matter now goes to a Joint Committee - ~~after~~ for an adjustment of differences.

COMMITTEE

The Democratic members on the Senate Investigating Sub-Committee, demand - action against the Committee investigator, J.B. Matthews. They charge him with what they call - "a shocking and unwarranted attack against the American clergy."

This is based on a magazine article, in which Matthews declared: "The largest single group, supporting the Communist apparatus in the United States today, is composed of - Protestant clergymen."

After which the Committee investigator goes on to declare that, within the past seventeen years, seven thousand Protestant clergymen have been drawn into the service of the Communist conspiracy. *The Congressmen term that "a shocking, unwarranted attack."*

Follow COMMITTEE

Later, Committee Chairman Senator McCarthy issued a statement defending Matthews. He says the article has drawn a response from Protestant Clergymen - ten to one in approval. The Senator ^{adds} ~~says~~ that Dr. Dan Polling, prominent American churchman, was one of those expressing - assent.

EISENHOWER

To start with he
President Eisenhower got a promotion today. ~~He~~ was a
five-star General and the first citizen of the land; ~~to begin~~
~~with.~~ *But* now, he's a Deacon in a Negro church.

The colored congregation is in Washington. The
Pastor - Elder Solomon Lightfoot Michaux. *It's a* church *that*
specializes in singing - with rousing versions of these Negro
spirituals.

Some years ago, ^{young} Major Eisenhower, stationed in
Washington, *as an aid to Mac Arthur then -*
used to drop in occasionally at the Negro church,
and join the singing. Major Ike had a booming baritone voice
for a hymn, *and he likes spirituals.*

So, today, Elder Solomon Lightfoot Michaux named
the President of the United States - a Senior Honorary Deacon.

PICKETS

Here's something new in a strike - a new kind of picket line. Spectacular - like show business. ^P A wage dispute is on at New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art, and employees in the walkout are doing things in an appropriate way. The museum being - a shrine of the historic.

Today, one of the pickets wore the armor of a Medieval knight, And carried a sign reading: "Our wages are from the Middle Ages." Another, dressed in skins like a caveman, waved a placard. Saying: "I could live on forty-two dollars a week, in Two Million B.C."

But, most eloquent of all, was a Roman Senator. Draped in a majestic toga, like Julius Caesar. That noble Roman carried a sign, reading: "On my salary, I can't afford pants."

Friends, Romans, Countrymen - ~~that's tax the way about~~ — he can't afford pants.

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HOME

Here's a sentimental sounding question - how old is Home Sweet Home? Not the song - the house. The answer is - twenty-nine years old. That's the average for the country.

P The information comes from a questionnaire put out by the Home Modernizing Magazine. The replies show that ^{one-fourth of} ~~plenty of dwelling~~ *dwelling in this land* ~~houses~~ ~~are brand new~~ ~~one-fourth~~ *(of the dwelling houses)* were built within the last ten years. Others are very old. The average age - twenty-nine.

One-third of the people queried said they haven't enough space - their families having outgrown the house. With another ten per cent, however, it was just the opposite - too much boom, families having shrunk in size. The youngsters having grown up, got married, gone off.

Half of the people complained - that their houses were out of date, furnishings obsolete. The champion of that group is a woman who wrote:

"Our house is one hundred and fifty years old. No heat, no bath. But we got it cheap - and we love it."

She loves ^{that obsolete} ~~it~~ _^ - Home Sweet Home.

AUTOMOBILE

Here's a news dispatch I wish I had had on Monday,
— on Willow Run.
when I was at the Kaiser Plant in Detroit. Those automotive
experts would have opened their technological eyes - to hear
about Emmett Williams of Oakland, California. Today, the judge
imposed on that surprising motorist a fine of fifteen dollars -
for driving without a steering wheel. No, not without a
license. - It's this way:—

of his car - (an old Opel)
The steering wheel ~~of the car~~ broke off, and Emmett
Williams didn't bother to have it replaced. *He just* ~~but~~ went on
driving around the streets of Oakland, *How did he manage? Oh, he* ~~just the same~~ *he* used a
monkey-wrench, clamped on the end of the steering column -
turning the corners that way. *and got pinched.*

Well, those automotive engineers are always looking
for something new and different. So how's that? - the car ~~without~~
without a steering wheel! Even with the new Kaiser,
that almost drives itself, you need a
steering wheel. Let's see if Miles
Fitzmorris agrees.

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