

GUATEMALA L.T.-KT news, May 25 - '54,

The shipment of Communist weapons to Guatemala - makes that nation the strongest in Central America. So stated today by Secretary of State Dulles. The Secretary pointing out that two thousand tons of arms went from Poland to Guatemala. The shipment, worth around ten million dollars. According to the Secretary, the Guatemalan army is now at least three times <sup>strong</sup> as large as that of any of its neighbors.

Sec. Dulles described the arms transaction as, in his words, "far from normal." Because the whole thing was done in secrecy. The ship, cleared for Dakar, Africa. The shipper, attempting to conceal his identity. And, then claiming - that the shipment consisted of "optical glass and laboratory equipment." The ship docked at Guatemala, in what Dulles termed, "extraordinary secrecy." The arms, unloaded with the Guatemalan Defense Minister there to supervise.

At first, the Secretary refused to speculate on the purpose. But one newsman asked - what about the danger to the Panama Canal? Then Dulles admitted - one Red objective might

be, to build a stronghold within striking distance of the Canal.

Meanwhile, military sources in Washington say that we are sending more weapons to Nicaragua and Honduras. These, the nations threatened by Guatemala. And Congressman Sikes of Florida calls on President Eisenhower to invoke the Monroe Doctrine. Charging that the Communists are establishing a beachhead in Guatemala, Sikes remarked, "A diplomatic slap on the wrist will not suffice." He wants <sup>Pres</sup> Mr. Eisenhower to use the Monroe Doctrine - to warn Malenkov that this hemisphere is not open to Communist imperialism.

ADD GUATEMALA

In Guatemala City, it's announced that the Honduran Ambassador has been ~~xxx~~ recalled. The Ambassador said before leaving - he doesn't believe his country will break off diplomatic relations. But anyway, he's called home to report.

And the Guatemalan foreign minister calls the arms for Honduras and Nicaragua - a hostile act by America.

LODGE

Our chief delegate to the U N repeats that we will not permit Red China to enter that international organization. Cabot Lodge, speaking to a press meeting in Chicago. ~~Nothingx~~ Noting the crimes ~~xxxxxx~~ committed by Mao Tse Tung's regime, Lodge termed Red China "wholly unfit for membership." And he added, "the Peiping regime is not the government of China -- but is an agency of a worldwide Communist movement."

So our decision is still the same. Red China not to enter the U N as long as we can prevent it.

French Foreign Minister Bidault - in Paris to confer with Premier Laniel. The Foreign Minister, ~~last~~ leaving Geneva very suddenly - because of a new Communist plan for an armistice in Indo China.

No official statement about the plan. But informed sources in Geneva say it calls for the partitioning of the three Indo Chinese states -- Viet Nam, Laos and Cambodia. The same sources declare that the Reds are proposing - free passage of troops into the areas allotted to each side. The High commands, to meet for ~~an~~ discussions about the regrouping of the troops.

Those are the highlights of the Viet Nam Plan. Bidault is back home to discuss the plan with Premier Laniel and other French ~~and~~ leaders.

Britain to join a "Mato" of southeast Asia -- if the intended alliance really gets under way. What will London do come it eventually, even if not from the same start.

Secretary of State Dulles denies that we have asked France to let ~~an~~ an American Supreme Commander take over in Indo China. The Secretary, <sup>e</sup> ~~scotching~~ <sup>2</sup> ~~that~~ rumor at a news conference today. He also said that France has not asked us to intervene. ~~All that has happened, according to the Secretary,~~ <sup>merely</sup> ~~is~~ that the State Department had explained to Paris ~~and~~ the conditions ~~and~~ under which we might enter the fighting. *That was all.*

*Sec. Dulles* <sup>declined</sup> ~~refused~~ to set any time-limit for breaking off the Geneva conference. He agreed that the Reds may be stalling in order to go ahead with their military campaign around Hanoi. But he refused to say how long we would give the Reds to prove their good faith. ~~at Geneva.~~

Another point the Secretary made today - he expects Britain to join a "Nato" of southeast Asia -- if ~~the~~ <sup>it</sup> intended alliance really gets under way. ~~That is~~ London to come in eventually, ~~even~~ if not from the ~~very~~ start.

INDO CHINA

The French in Indo China are reorganizing for the defense of the Red River Delta. Reinforcements coming from France, North Africa and Germany. Also mobile units, transferred from less dangerous sectors of Indo China.

Long range decisions to come from Paris, but in the meantime, General Navarre is using everything he has to save the Red River Delta.

In Paris, Premier Laniel announces a debate on Indo China. Until now, he had been trying to hold off debate, particularly after the fall of Dien Bien Phu. Now the opposition is demanding a debate.

NURSE GENEVIEVE

The Angel of Dien Bien Phu describes the day the stronghold was over run by the Reds. Nurse Genevieve ~~speaking~~ <sup>telling</sup> to reporters in Hanoi ~~she says~~ that on the night of May Sixth, the defense system ~~had been~~ <sup>was</sup> destroyed. ~~with~~ <sup>with two</sup> ~~Colonels~~ ~~urging~~ General DeCastries to make a final "stand of honor." ~~But~~ <sup>According</sup> to the nurse, DeCastries replied "it is useless to cause more death."

A few hours later she ~~was in the surgery.~~ ~~She~~ says: "The doctor and I were standing there - when the first Viet Minh soldier came in." Others followed. And according to Nurse Genevieve, they all acted very well. Leaving the wounded alone ~~when~~ <sup>when</sup> she said that there were no soldiers able to fight in the ~~area~~ hospital area.

By that time, Dien Bien Phu had been over run. General DeCastries a captive. The nurse, seized along with the wounded.

We already know how she stayed on - even though not permitted to perform her duties as a nurse. Finally,



orders came from her superiors in Hanoi. Only then, did she agree to ~~take~~ leave.

~~She says that as she came out by helicopter, the last thing she saw was the wreckage of the plane that had brought her in. In her words, "I could barely see the Red Cross painted on the fuselage."~~

Now she'll fly to France with some of the wounded. But she'll return to Indo China. "I won't stay long in France. My place is here." That's how the Angel of Dien Bien Phu describes what she intends to do. She'll be in Paris long enough to see her mother. Then back to Indo China -- to help nurse the wounded in the fighting there.

MADAME deCASTRIES

The wife of the hero of Dien Bien Phu <sup>is</sup> in Paris to report to Premier Laniel. Madame Jacqueline deCastries, to tell the Premier "the truth" about Indo-China.

She'll base her report on the telephone conversations with her husband. She spoke to him daily during the siege of Dien Bien Phu. Before leaving Hanoi, she remarked, "I think the government should have the opinion - of the man who knows Indo-China best." So she'll give Premier Laniel the information she got from her husband.

Madame de Castries remembers in particular <sup>her</sup> ~~the~~ last telephone conversation she had with the General. <sup>As she put it: -</sup> In her words, "My <sup>be together</sup> husband said we would ~~meet~~ <sup>meet</sup> again." Then, Dien Bien Phu was overrun. And the General captured. But Madame de Castries believes what he told her - that <sup>their separation</sup> ~~they will meet again, some~~ ~~one~~ will end, one day.

HEARING

Those unroarious hearings developed a new kind of spectacle ~~in~~ today - two large charts. One of which was - especially spectacular. In a way, it looked like an enlargement of a grammar school pupil's report card - with a lot of black marks. Actually, of course, little Johnny's report card is never marked up like that. If it were, Johnny's record would be black indeed. *What was it? Oh yes,* it was a chart on Private Schine at Camp Dix with days blacked out. Days - on which Schine was absent. Or - on which phone calls were made to Camp Dix headquarters about him. General Ryan, the camp commander testified ~~in~~ Schine was away, on special pass, only at the request of the McCarthy staff.

The other chart pictured the absences from Camp Dix - of a typical G I in training. But these absences were marked with a much lighter shading - not nearly so vivid.

This evoked a roar from Senator McCarthy. Who charged - there was trickery. He claimed the two charts

should have had the same kind of markings for absences.

That - the jet black on one, and the lighter shading on the other, were intended to make things look black for Schine.

All this was answered by Army witness Colonel Murray, who said - the difference was merely for the convenience of the drafting room. But the Senator from Wisconsin insisted that the Colonel was, in McCarthy's words, "taking the rap" for somebody else.

Well, there had been a previous tempest over another spectacular exhibit - the hugely enlarged photograph showing Army Secretary Stevens and Private Schine. In that case, the McCarthy side was accused of trickery - in trimming down the picture. The Army charging - phony photograph. While, today, tit for tat, McCarthy shouts<sup>ing</sup> "phony chart."

EXCOMMUNIST

Two Washington state politicians - were once secret members of the Communist party. The charge, ~~is~~ made by an ex-communist, testifying before the subversive activities control board in Washington. Jess Fletcher, saying that State Senator Michael Gallagher and former Congressman Hugh DeLacy, belonged to the party during the forties.

Fletcher states that he broke with the Reds in Nineteen Forty five. He claims that Gallagher was a secret Communist at the time. And that the Communists were responsible for electing DeLacy to Congress in Nineteen Forty four.

In Seattle, Gallagher denies the charge. He's now chairman of the King County Democratic Central Committee. And he declares that Fletcher is attempting to smear the Democrats by smearing him. Gallagher describes Fletcher like this: A disgruntled labor leader around here - who was ousted because of his own admission that he was a Communist. Gallagher adds that he's ready to have any responsible agency investigate the Fletcher charges.

## ADVENTISTS

The Church of the Seven Day Adventists - is preparing for the end of the world. A conference in San Francisco heard President William Branson, of Washington, D.C., declare that contemporary events indicate - that the work of the Church is just about finished. He called this conference the most important in the history of the Church. Adding, "We have come to the closing hours of man's existence on earth."

Afterward, the delegates voted special prayers and fasting. Just when does President Branson expect the world to end? He doesn't say. But the delegates are going to elect officers to serve during the next four years. Which seems to indicate - that we ~~are~~ have at least another four years - before the end of the world.

## HAILE SELASSIE

Today, the King of Kings and Lion of Judah arrived in New York. Meaning of course Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia. The Lion of Judah is here to pay a visit to President Eisenhower, and see something of a country of which he has heard so much.

Haile Selassie belongs to the oldest line of royalty in history. That is, he claims descent from King Solomon and the Queen of Sheba -- going back nearly three thousand years.

But Americans remember him best for the events of nineteen years ago. That was when he led his barefoot spearmen - against the guns, tanks and planes of Italy's modern Caesar -- Mussolini. We all recall how the League of Nations refused to intervene. Whereupon Mussolini's army over-ran Ethiopia.

When Mussolini's empire collapsed - Haile Selassie returned to his throne, as King of Kings - long outlasting the would be Caesar. And ~~now~~ now he'S

over here, for his first visit.

Today he came ashore, resplendent in his field Marshal's uniform - with some fifty ribbons on his chest. At home he wears a robe of pure gold - sometimes.

Today, he was touring Manhattan. Also spending some time with two grandsons who are students at Columbia.

Tomorrow, he'll fly to Washington aboard President Eisenhower's private plane - the Columbine. After that, a two months tour of the country. So, Mike you may catch a glimpse of Haile Selassie, Emperior of Ethiopia, Lion of Judah, elect of God, descendant of King Solomon - and The Queen of Sheba.