

GEORGIA

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(In the battle of the two governors of Georgia, Herman Talmadge today dislodged Ellis Arnall from his last foothold in the State Capitol) but Arnall is not giving up. Banished from the government building, he filed a paper with the Georgia Secretary of State, asserting that he was still Governor. *And he* made a radio address to the people of Georgia, - maintaining his point that Talmadge is a pretender, who ^{has} seized the Governorship illegally; ^{- and} calling the issue a battle for democracy, Ellis Arnall ~~repeated~~ repeated to the people of Georgia his contention that he is the legal Governor - until he can turn his offices over to the newly ^{- elected} ~~installed~~ Lieutenant Governor.

The next move will take place in a courtroom - several weeks from now. Arnall has appealed to the State Courts to oust Talmadge, and the case will be heard on ~~February~~ February Fourteenth. Talmadge denies that the court has any jurisdiction, any power to decide who is Governor. However, he has

retained lawyers to present his side of the argument - that he was elected by the State Legislature, which acted according to the State Constitution.

The final ousting of Ellis Arnall from the State Capitol today was accompanied by a bit of dialogue that illustrates the character of the support of Talmadge and his anti-negro doctrine of white supremacy. It is rural and rustic in character, the backwoods, the Georgia swamps, the ~~hilly~~ hill billy country.

(After Ellis Arnall had been ~~and~~ maneuvered out of his office in the State Capitol, he set up a desk in the Rotunda, holding out there as Governor. That was yesterday; and this morning ^{when} he returned to the capitol to take his place at the desk, ~~he~~ found it already occupied. At the desk sat State Congressman James Dykes, a hot Talmadge man, whose purpose it was to oust Arnall by the simple process of taking over his desk.) The Rotunda was crowded with Talmadge partisans, who thronged around as Ellis Arnall walked

up to the desk, and saw State Congressman James Dykes sitting there. They knew each other, old acquaintances.

(Arnall said: "Jimmy, I want my desk."

To which Jimmy replied with a Georgia drawl: "Ellis, you remind me of a hog. Did you ever slop a hog? The more you give him, the more he wants, and he never knows when to get out of the trough."

That blast of rural Georgia carried the issue)-- Arnall walking away amid an uproar of jeering from the ~~an~~ crowd of Talmadge supporters.

RADAR

The story was told today, how last night the first use was made of radar ground control approach to land planes at an airport. Three were brought in at Mitchel Field by radar operators on the ground. Forty-six people were in those three planes, and forty-six lives might have been lost - for landing conditions seemed hopeless, impossible.. ^{On account of} ~~there was~~ a dense, ~~blinding~~ blinding fog.

The first plane brought in was a transport of the Peruvian Airline ^{-- with} twenty aboard. The pilot, trying to get to the field, said by radio that he was lost in the fog; visibility zero, and he had only a few minutes of fuel supply left. In charge of the radar group on the field was Lieutenant W.E. Harris and he spotted the plane on the radar screen. ^{Quickly he} ~~he~~ plotted a course and gave the pilot instructions.

Today Lieutenant Harris said: "The fog was so thick we couldn't see the plane as she passed overhead, coming down for a landing." The landing was okay.

The second to be brought in by radar was a small private plane, two people aboard. Today army officials at Mitchel Field said the pilot was so excited by his radar landing that he forgot to leave his name. The third plane was an army transport, flying from Germany, twenty-four ~~persons~~ aboard. Having made a stop at New Foundland, the C-54 had got lost in the fog, and was running short of gas. "That plane couldn't have stayed up much longer", said Lieutenant Harris. And he added: "It was our most successful landing."

The fog at the field was so dense that visibility was only fifty feet, yet the radar ground control approach, plotting a course on the radar screen and giving the pilot flying instructions, brought the big transport in for a landing without the slightest difficulty.

In view of the number of air accidents that have been happening, this threefold demonstration of the radar conquest of fog is one of the most encouraging bits of news we've had in a long time.

PEACE TREATIES

The United Nations has just made public the texts of the Peace Treaties with Italy, Romania, Bulgaria, Hungary and Finland. The pacts will be signed on Monday, by retiring Secretary of State Byrnes. He labored for fifteen months to negotiate them, and will have the honor of being the first signer - as he leaves office.

The treaty texts, just released, are in English, French and Russian, and fill five books - five volumes now issued. The pact with Italy is in eleven parts, with ninety articles, and seventeen annexes - a book of three hundred and sixty-five pages.

~~Well, at length, we have the treaties, the five books. I suppose ~~that~~ I ought to start reading those five volumes on the radio right now, both in English and French and ~~&~~ also in Russian - but I won't.~~

FRANCE

Tonight the Republic of France is seeking a Cabinet - an old story in French political affairs. The new Socialist President Vincent Auriol, today asked a fellow Socialist, Paul Ramadier, to form a ministry - and that's what Ramadier is trying to do tonight.

He says it will be impossible to organize an all-Socialist Government, and he wants to take in as many of the other parties as possible. That, of course, includes the Communists - who form the largest group in the Chamber of Deputies. The word from Paris is that the Communist^s will demand two or three key posts in the new ministry - such as Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of War, ^{and the all-important} ~~the~~ Ministry of the Interior, which controls the police. To this there is certain to be bitter opposition - moderate and right wing elements alarmed at the prospect of Communist Ministers ~~controlling~~ controlling the French Foreign Office, the Army, and the police.

SPITZBERGEN

It seems that this country of ours is making - "hypocritical noise." That's ~~x~~ what Moscow calls the American comment on the Soviet demand for military bases in Spitzbergen - that strategic northern island. Today the official newspaper of the Stalin Government, Izvestia, made reference to the "hypocritical noise" and said it was an attempt to cover up the American intention to hold bases in the Pacific and the Atlantic. Izvestia likewise speaks of what it calls - "various suspicious machinations." It does ~~not~~ say what these suspicious machinations are, but we Americans are guilty of them, anyway. And we're making "hypocritical noise? ~~to consent them.~~

The Moscow newspaper puts up a new kind of argument to support the Soviet ~~x~~ demand that Norway grant bases on Spitzbergen - that is for an abrogation of the treaty of Nineteen Twenty which prohibited the establishment of any military bases on the island. Hitherto, Moscow has argued the treaty was null and void, because several of the many nations that signed

it became enemies of the Allies in World^d War Two. Izvestia today produces another line of argumnt, contending that the treaty forbidding the militarization of Spitzbergen is now out of date, because the league of nations was supposed to enforce it - and the league of nations is no longer in ~~xxx~~ existence. Which would seem to be rather like saying that - because a cop died, the law died also.

The Soviets are outright in their intention to annex that bit of land between Spitzbergen and Northern Norway - Bear Island. And Izvestia today puts up a moral argument for that, saying that Bear Island is really Russian. We don't know how the Soviets figure that - Bear Island ~~is~~ lying to the North, not of Russia, but of Norway. It's a little to the West of the northerⁿ_^most part of Norway, in fact. ^R However, the correctness of the morality would seem to be of not too much importance. It isn't by force of pure righteousness that the Soviets get things.

COMMUNIST

(Washington gives us news of the indictment of a Communist in the State Department.) The charge against him is that he lied when he qualified for a Federal job - denying that he was a Communist. It is alleged, in fact, that he lied eleven times in the process of concealing his red affiliation.

There has been much talk about Communists in the State Department, and an investigation has been going on for some time - today's indictment being one of the results.

(The defendant is Carl Aldo Marzani, a native of Scranton, Pennsylvania, a college graduate who studied at Oxford. The indictment charges that, as a Communist, he had another name.) He was listed among the Comrades as Tony Whales. This, of course, is in accord with common practice among the Reds - concealing their party membership under a false name.

It is stated that ~~Max~~ Marzani, alias Tony Whales, did a Communist job in Nineteen Forty - Forty-One, by agitating against the selective service bill.

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That was the ~~same~~ time of the Hitler-Stalin Pact, when the Reds were lined up with the Nazis and were opposing American preparations for the approaching war against Nazi Germany.

When Hitler attacked Stalin, things were different -- all of a sudden. The Communist worker, listed in the Red membership as Tony Whales, got a job in the office of Strategic Services, and became "Economic Editor of that secret wartime agency. "Economic Editor" would certainly seem to be a fine post for a Red.

When the O.S.S. after the war, was taken into the State Department, the Comrade went along, and became a State Department employee. He remained ~~one~~ until about a month ~~ago~~ ago, when the investigation of alleged Reds in the State Department disclosed his party membership. Now he is indicted, and faces heavy penalties of fine and imprisonment.

(The indictment charges that he had a

Communist Party assignment to plot an infiltration of
Reds into both ⁱⁿ~~the~~ Army and Navy, to undermine morale,
and prepare the way for an overthrow of the Capitalist
System and a Communist seizure of power in this country.

RADIO MEN

It's a little late for a Christmas story, but over in England two radio men have just completed an assignment to give a Christmas broadcast. They were removed by boat today from a bleak and storm-swept lighthouse, where they had been marooned ever since Yuletide.

Bishop Rock is described as - "The most desolate spot in the British ~~Empire~~ Empire." It's near the Scilly Isles, which are not so silly as they sound. They're bleak islands out in the Atlantic, off the Western tip of Cornwall ^{off} land's end. Bishops Rock is a bit of windswept, wave beaten stone, important for ships that enter the English Channel. ^{And}, Bishops Rock has a lighthouse - one of the most isolated and storm beaten on earth - the lighthouse keeper ^{being} a classical example of his kind, one of the loneliest of all.

During the ~~mid~~ holiday season, the British broadcasting Company thought it would be good entertainment to have a program - "Christmas at the Lighthouse," Santa Claus and Christmas Tree - at the

"most desolate spot in the British Empire." So two radio men were sent to Bishops Rock -- announcer Edward Ward and Engineer Coombs. They arrived at the lighthouse on December Twenty-First, and during Christmas they gave their broadcast.

But, a Christmas storm blew up, the gale and the sea so wild the two radio men couldn't be taken from the lighthouse. Boats could not approach Bishops Rock -- and the storm failed to subside. They've been having a severe winter in Europe. The tempests of the North Atlantic have been raging without end. And that Christmas storm lasted until now-- the radiomen marooned.

Today, the wind and waves had subsided enough for a boat to reach the lighthouse, and the announcer and sound ~~ing~~ engineer were removed, taken over to the Scilly Isles. They'll be back in London tomorrow.

It was an interesting assignment, but it lasted too long -- at the most desolate spot in the British Empire. And now back to the least desolate spot in the

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U.S.A. to N.Y. City, to you Nelson.

ITALY

(A cabinet crisis in Italy! Vice Premier Pietro Nenni, pro-communist leader of the Socialist party, has resigned. This indicates a shake-up ~~next~~ in the cabinet of Premier De Gasperi,) who only a few hours ago arrived in Rome from Washington with a hundred million dollar loan from our Export-Import Bank; fifty million dollars more in military credits, and, an Italian-American commercial all of which De Gasperi obtained over here.

This may be the show down between the Communists and more liberal factions in Italy. Nenni, although he calls himself a Socialist, is strongly pro-soviet pro-red. So much so that some of the right wing members of the Socialist party have broken off relations with his, Nenni's, group.

Nenni has resigned ostensibly because, as he puts it " A Socialist cannot sign the peace treaty offered Italy."

It all seems to be a move to force De Gasperi's hand in Internal affairs. That is, will the liberals or radicals run Italy?

IRAN

Taken from Early Broadcast - January 17, '47.

In Iran, the ancient land of Persia, it seems certain that Premier Ghavam has won a decisive victory in the elections. Those elections, which were put off because of the disturbances in Azerbaijan, are being held this week, the polls closing tonight.

The balloting has been limited to thirty five cities. The areas where disturbances have occurred will have their election later. But meanwhile, the voting this week shows Premier ~~Shirvan~~ Ghavam and his modern democratic party so far ahead that they are sure to retain control.