

STRIKE

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When President Kennedy moved into the labor dispute at American Airlines he did so under the Railway Labor Act. That measure allows the President to force a strike postponement, whenever the nation might be deprived of essential transport. ^{and} President Kennedy was informed by his advisors that such would be the result - if ten thousand transport workers walked off their jobs at American Airlines. Hence ^{today's} presidential action to keep them on the job - for at least another sixty days. A cooling off period - and a chance to work out a settlement.

Meanwhile, the Secretary of Labor ^{is} ~~just~~ struggling - with the problem of TWA, Secretary Goldberg, continuing his last ditch efforts - to remove the strike threat. Make sure ~~that~~ the picket lines ^{do} ~~would~~ not form again, ^{and} that the flight engineers ~~would~~ agree - to ~~is~~ a deal with the industry.

RUSK

Dean Rusk may not getting far - with DeGaulle.

This indicated by rumors of a forth-coming meeting between DeGaulle and Kennedy. Rusk is said to be convinced - that the major issues have to be settled at the top. Issues like - a French atomic force, independent of Nato; and, DeGaulle's attitude toward the Common Market and the Atlantic Alliance.

French Sources aren't quite so sure. They point out - that the President of France has made his position clear; so, how could President Kennedy do anything more?

~~None~~ fireworks in Romania, ^{But this time} today, ~~were~~ caused by - nature, not Khrushchev. The Soviet boss, about to deliver an outdoor speech - when there was a cloudburst, sheets of rain, ~~falling~~, thunder and lightning, ~~raging overhead~~. The crowd, becoming panicky - making a break for a nearby hall. Battering down the door - surging inside.

~~Quite a dilemma for the Romanian comrades. What to do for their~~ big Red chief from Moscow, ^{As for the} They decided to transfer his speech - to the hall. Hastily setting up ~~a dais~~ with a microphone and loud speaker, ^{huge} hanging ~~energetic~~ pictures of Nikita - on the walls, ^{and} ordering the crowd to settle down, ^{and} listen. ~~Also~~ ^{and} to applaud at the right time.

Maybe K, was dampened by the rain, ~~the future~~ - and a delay of an hour and a half, ~~he~~ said practically nothing bellicose - nothing ~~that~~ we haven't heard before.

There's much irony in that defense debate - in New Delhi. No, ~~this~~ not the fact that Nehru ~~is~~ may decide to buy - Soviet Migs. Turning down - British and American offers. *on the ground*
~~Declaring~~ that Migs are more suitable for - Indian purposes.

The irony lies - in those purposes. Nehru wants planes that can operate - over the Himalayas. ~~That is~~ against Red China. *And* He thinks he may get the help he wants - from Red Russia. Khrushchev's fighters - for use against Mao Tse Tung, ~~to soldiers~~

While the New Delhi debate goes on - the Indian Army is already operating in the Himalayas. Nehru, telling his Parliament - that they *now* have detachments behind the Chinese lines. The Indians, pushing north into the mountains - as the Chinese push south, out of the mountains. Nehru, attempting to outflank Mao Tse Tung's men - and force them to retreat.

Himalayas
"A gigantic game of chess" - according to the Indian Prime Minister.

MACAO

The statement made public in Macao today - deliberately ambiguous. Declaring, first of all - that refugees from Red China are welcome, with or without visas. Then the statement adds - that no propaganda purpose is involved in this decision. No criticism of - Macao's giant neighbor on the mainland.

The ambiguity is obvious - and so is the reason. The Portuguese authorities want to provide an asylum - for fugitives from behind the Bamboo Curtain. But the Portuguese don't want to get into trouble - with Mao Tse Tung. Macao, only forty miles west of Hong Kong - ~~has~~ has been tolerated by the Red Dictator as a safety valve. ~~No rebellion by his subjects - as long as they cherish the hope of getting away to Macao.~~

So the Portuguese appear to be telling the refugees - "escape from Communist tyranny if you can, but don't say ~~so~~ ^{anything} once you get here."

BERLIN

The nine East Germans who were captured at the wall - tried to ram a truck through a barbed wire barricade. Three men in the front seat, six in the ~~in~~ rear - as they cautiously drove through East Berlin without being challenged. Twenty yards from the fence, the driver stepped on the gas - and hurtled his vehicle 'into it. Hoping that the strands would snap under the impact - that the truck would go through into West Berlin.

But, there was too much barbed wire ^{that} ~~which~~ got snarled in the ~~in~~ wheels. The truck, jolting to a stop - still in East Berlin. The would-be refugees, quickly rounded up and hustled off - by ~~in~~ the Red border guards.

ATOMIC

The failure of our second high altitude atomic explosion - seems to have been a repetition of the first. Except, that this time - the rocket didn't get as close to the point of explosion. The tracking system, beginning to malfunction - about a minute after the "Thor" missile was launched ~~and~~ within two minutes, the safety officer had to push - the destruct button, ~~blowing~~ the rocket to pieces - high above Johnson Island. Again, deactivating the atomic bomb - which fell into the Pacific, ~~and~~ sank - with no danger of a nuclear explosion, or radioactive fallout. ~~Despite radio~~ ~~measurements~~ ^{in that area} the Pacific Ocean ~~is~~ still safe for man and fish.

The British Labor Party has decided- not to
expel Bertrand Russell. Reason - it has no authority over the
rebellious Earl. He's not a member of the party - any more.
Neglected to pay his dues. ~~His~~ membership ^{ed.} lapsing
~~automatically.~~

The question came up - because of Russell's
leadership of the "ban the bomb campaign". The philosophical
peer, taking a stand opposed to that - of the Labor Party.
Hence, the aggrieved Laborite demands - for his expulsion.

~~It might have happened Today, except that~~ someone
consulted the membership list, ~~Conspicuously absent - Bertrand~~
~~Russell.~~ ^{and} Like many less erudite members ^{Russell} ~~he somehow~~ forgot
to pay his dues. A peer of the realm, saved from censure -
~~by the Socialites.~~ Saved by fourteen shillings ^{96.} ~~eighty five~~

JAZZ

Now that Benny Goodman is making such a hit in the Soviet Union - it's being pointed out that he's not the first American to blow a hot licorice stick in Red Square.

Back in Nineteen Twenty Five, Sydney Bechet gave the Moscovites a taste of - the Basin Street beat. Which - they liked *so much*

that One of them, Alexander Sfasman - formed his own combo, *Began* writing *a* jazz composition, And *is* ~~is~~ still at it. Alex, the patriarch - of Soviet jazz.

Today, there are swing bands - in most of the big Russian cities. Also, Bobby sox-rock-'n-rollers - who ~~keep~~ keep the bands *in* ~~in~~ business, *booming.* Maybe not quite authentic - by New Orleans standards but they're not square - those Soviet cats.

They know what to do - when Benny Goodman plays the first note on his torrid clarinet. To coin a phrase *Dick, would you say* - the Moscovite joint starts jumping.?

GANGSTER

The police assigned to watch the house of Nick Guido in Joliet, Illinois - today came up with a bonus. Their job, to capture the bank robber - who is a ~~the~~ prime suspect ~~in~~ one of Chicago's gangland murders.

~~When~~ ^{While} the police were watching for Nick - ~~the~~ when they heard strange noises behind the house. Bursting in, they found his wife Patricia - digging in the back yard.

They finished the job for her - and, uncovered a sugar can.

In it a cash
~~In the can~~ ^{was} ~~was~~ ^{was} of diamonds. Plus - house keys, with addresses attached. And - a ring of master keys for cars.

Maybe Nick Guido can't tell them anything about - the underworld assassination. But Pat Guido ~~ought~~ ^{should} ~~to~~ have an ~~interesting~~ ^{to tell} story ^{to tell} about how those diamonds ~~were~~ buried in that sugar can, in her back yard.