

BERLIN

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~~Tonight~~ West Berlin is angry with - the West.

The people, led by Mayor Willy Brandt, are demanding -
stronger measures against the East German Reds. ^{They ask for} An end to
mere paper protests - over the sealing of the Berlin border.

^{Mayor} Today Brandt told a big crowd - ^{had just} that he sent a

special letter to President Kennedy. A "very frank" letter -
^{that -} stating "Berlin expects political action." The Mayor of
West Berlin, warning that any show of weakness - will only
make Khrushchev bolder, ~~Encourage~~ the tyrant to commit -
more aggression.

Brandt caused the crowd to boo and hiss - when he
announced that the West German parliament ^{does not plan to} ~~will not~~ hold its
session in West Berlin. There seems to be a unanimity of
opinion in West Berlin, ~~That~~ the Allies are too timid in
reacting to Communist provocations.

In Washington, the strategy remains - one of
silence. President Kennedy, conferring with Secretary of
State Rusk - about counter-measures the allies might use.

But we have no details - on what was said at the White House.

Some observers believe there's a basic pattern -
in this administration policy. A patternⁿ of saying nothing -
so the world can hear Khrushchev ranting and raving.

Obviously showing that he's concerned - because of his
defeat in East Germany. ^{That is,} The East Germans, so hostile to
Communism ^{that} - the Reds have had to seal the border. A fact
that is not escaping Khrushchev - or the people of the
uncommitted nations.

U N FOLLOW BERLIN

With the Berlin situation ~~becoming~~ more tense - many western observers are urging that the U N move in. *That is,*
Literally. Establish a regional headquarters - in the beleaguered city. Keep a corps of international diplomats - on the world's number one trouble spot.

The idea - to watch every move Khrushchev makes in Berlin. The Soviet Dictator is courting \rightarrow the neutralists at the U N, *and* It's thought he'd be less belligerent - if his Berlin aggression ~~had~~ took place before the ~~my~~ eyes of the neutrals.

Besides, no matter how much the Soviet Dictator hates the U N - he couldn't very well seize its property. And that means that at least part of Berlin - would remain safe from a Communist coup. Could it be that once again the U N will help to derail - the march of Soviet imperialism? Could be.

ARMY

Now it's The Army, ~~is~~ following the lead of the Navy and the Air Force - ~~is~~ calling up more men. ^{also} And prescribing a longer tour of duty - for some of those already in uniform. Chief method of filling military units - a bigger draft. Forty-five thousand men - in the next two months. At the same time, over a hundred reserve units have been alerted - for a possible call to active service.

The Army, moving to meet - the Berlin crisis.

Expanding quickly - to a million men.

CUBAN

A fighter for Cuban freedom is in Miami - asking for political asylum. The point being, ^{this same} that Generoso Campos defended his island- back in the Nineteenth Century, ^{when} He led a guerrilla band operating in the hills - before the Spanish-American war. Campos, the first Cuban rebel to make a specialty of - hit and run tactics. His enemy - the Spanish garrison in Cuba.

^{When} - the Americans landed, Campos hastened to join them - and took part in many battles. Including the spectacular charge up San Juan Hill - ^{led} by Teddy Roosevelt and his Rough Riders.

With Cuba free - the guerrilla leader retired to private life, where he's been - for over half a century. But Cuba is once again - under a tyranny. The Castro dictatorship, too much for - the old freedom fighter. Now, at the age of ninety-two -- ^{he has} ~~he's~~ escaped to freedom in Miami. Generoso Campos, who remembers the ~~span~~ Spanish-American War - who fought with ^{the irrepresible} Teddy Roosevelt and ^{his} ~~the~~ Rough Riders.

SIKHS

India is having trouble with - the Sikhs. Nothing new in that. The bearded warriors of the Punjab have been a problem to the sub-continent of Hindustan - since the Sixteenth Century. Since they broke away from orthodox Hinduism, and founded their own state up in ~~the northern~~ ^{western} ~~India.~~ ^{mountains} They harrassed the mogul empire - in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Century. And, to pacify the Punjab in the Nineteenth Century - the British had to fight their two Sikh Wars.

Today the Sikhs ^{are not quite} ~~are not~~ so bellicose. But they still want their own independent state - in the punjab. Their weapon - the fast-unto-death. Sikh leader Tara Singh, entering the golden temple at Amritsar - vowing not to eat another meal until the Punjab is free. ~~Free~~ - of the New Delhi Parliament.

Nehru's India, struggling with - an old problem.

The mountain warriors of Hindustan - the Sikhs.

SATELLITE

The American satellite launched at Cape Canaveral last night - has already sent back over fifty messages. Explorer Twelve, relaying information on cosmic rays - in outer space. Telling our scientists how steel stands up to the radiation ^{where there is} ~~that has~~ no atmosphere to dilute it. Another step forward - in American exploration of our solar system. Explorer Twelve.

PLANE

The American Airlines jet liner that skidded off the runway at Dallas - ~~it~~ had six blowouts. The tires, torn apart one after the other - in what sounded like a series of explosions. The big plane, twisting and sliding - for fifty feet. Ending up in a field. Damage - slight. No casualties among the seventy-two passengers - and crew of eight.

BASEBALL

The baseball story tonight is a follow up - to the one we had last night. I noted that ~~Toger~~ Roger Maris and Mickey Mantle had better keep hitting home runs this month - if they expect to catch Babe Ruth in September. Maybe Roger Maris - was listening. Anyway, he stepped up to the plate in the fourth inning last night - and clouted ~~the ball~~^{one} into the right field ~~stands~~ bleachers. Number forty-six for the season. Today the Yankees' muscle man was back at the stadium - swinging his big bat, Again - putting the ball in the bleachers. Twice - in fact. Roger Maris, on a terrific home run binge - that could make him the first ~~in~~ batter to hit sixty, since the one and only Bambino did it back in Nineteen Twenty-Seven.

BEARS

I suppose the news from Yellowstone Park represents the limit - in Twentieth Century technology. The grizzly bears of Yellowstone, to be equipped with - transistor radios.

The idea is to keep track of - North America's terror of the forest. Find out whether the grizzlies are in danger of - becoming extinct. Do something about it - if they are.

Each animal, to be trapped - and put to sleep with chloroform. Then a collar will be slid over its head - with a built in radio. After which, it will be released in the woods. ^{to} ~~and~~ report its movements electronically - on a continuous beam, over a radius of five miles. Transistor radios - for grizzly bears, *Dicks.*

BIKINIS

A sad sad note - for some. Over in St. Tropez, on the French Riviera - a Bikini will cost you fifteen francs. Three dollars. The price of - an abbreviated bathing suit? In a way. It's a fine - for appearing in one.

The Mayor of St. Tropez - is telling the girls to wear more. This because of a flood of complaints from parents who take their children to the beach, and who say the local scenery was becoming - ah, you know. The mayor, agreeing - ordering the gendarmes to extract a fine from young ladies who don't leave enough to the imagination.

What will the Riviera be like - minus Bikinis.