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(In Moscow, the negotiations between the West German Chancellor and the Soviet leaders are - deadlocked. Nevertheless, the atmosphere is remarkably cordial, with lots of jovial good fellowship.) So much so - that ~~kw~~ we have a diplomatic exchange of a ~~rioting sort~~ riotous sort. More for Bacchus, the God of Wine, than for Machiavelli and his own saturnine style of diplomacy.

The exchange of statecraft ~~is~~ occurred at a gaudy Kremlin banquet tonight. Chancellor Adenauer - entertained by Soviet Premier Bulganin and Communist Party chief Khrushchev. Along - with a ~~maxx~~ host of other Russian dignitaries at the tables. Everybody - in festive mood.

In the background, we must remember, that Adenauer has been demanding the release of German prisoners of war, still held in Soviet Russia - a host of them. Bulganin and Khrushchev refuse to consider this - ~~is~~ until their own demand has been accepted. So what's the demand?

That was proclaimed when at the banquet, Khrushchev rose - to drink a toast, in champagne. He said: "I propose to raise the glass - to the establishment of normal, diplomatic, friendly relations between the ~~F~~ederal Republic of Germany and the Soviet Union."

Then Adenauer got up, and replied with a champagne toast of his own . Saying: "I drink to good friendly relations with the Soviet Union." But he indicated - not on a diplomatic level, not with an exchange of Ambassadors."

His toast, in effect, expressed the view - that West Germany was willing to have contacts by means of government representatives. But not - normal diplomatic relations. Thereby rejecting - the Khrushchev demand.

Champagne diplomacy - negotiations in the ~~form~~ form of drinking ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ toasts.

Something new. ^{Wouldn't} ~~and~~ Machiavelli ~~would~~ be surprised!

But why does West Germany refuse normal diplomatic relations with Soviet Russia?

~~Well,~~ Adenauer wants the prisoners of war ~~to be~~ released, first. Because, that issue involves, not only West Germany, but also Communist East Germany. So, if this were done through normal diplomatic relations, with Ambassadors, ^{then} ~~and all~~ west Germany might be dealing with Communist East Germany on a regular diplomatic level. Entailing- a recognition of the regime of the East German Communists - which Adenauer has rejected, all along.

It looks as if Bulganin and Khrushchev, in demanding formal diplomatic relations, were trying to use the ~~prison~~ prisoner of war issue - to inveigle Adenauer into a recognition of East Germany.

~~That's~~ ^The logic behind the champagne.

CONFERENCE

London tells us that the Foreign Ministers of the Western Big Three will have preliminary talks - preparing for the conference with Soviet Russia. They'll seek an agreement among themselves on a plan for a European Security Pact.

Which will be laid before Moscow Foreign Minister Molotov.

A security offer - ⁱⁿ~~to~~ return for German unification.

London says that, of late, the Soviets have been showing interest in proposals the West might make - at the Geneva meeting of the Foreign Ministers, on October twenty-seventh.

FRANCE

Five hundred French airmen were flown by plane to Morocco, today - a special airlift. Reservists who, yesterday - staged a riot in Paris. Protesting - against being sent to North Africa.

A couple of weeks ago the French government ordered seventy-five thousand reservists back into military service - to deal with the crisis in the ~~FRAN~~ French North African colonies. The five ~~hundred~~ hundred men of the air force had been demobilized, from two to six months ago. They didn't want to go back into service - and ~~WERE~~ were not enthusiastic at all about Morocco.

Yesterday, ^{when} they were to board a troop train in Paris, ^{they} ~~and~~ staged a riot at the railroad station. Refusing to board the train, and shouting: "Morocco ~~for~~ the Moroccans." Which ended - only when the police loaded them into ~~patrol~~ patrol wagons, and carried them off to military barracks.

Today, the indignant airmen had quieted down, and

were put aboard planes bound for North Africa. ^{TP} Hard to think
how much good they'll be there - those reluctant reservists.

SINGAPORE

In Singapore, they're trying two defendants - for the murder of United Press Correspondent Gene Symonds. Killed - by a raging mob, during murderous ~~disturb~~ disturbances in May. One of the accused - a Chinese truck driver. The other - a native of India.

One witness today was a Chinese named - Lim Siong Choon. Who said - he's afraid his life is in ~~days~~ danger. He told how a taxicab driver deliberately tried to run him down. Cursing him as a traitor -

On the day of the riot, Lim Siong Choon and another Chinese helped the injured American newspaperman into a van, and drove him to a hospital. He tells how the mob attacked Symonds, beating him - with fatal results.

Lim Siong Choon acting like a good samaritan. Now he says - he's afraid for his life.

PRISONERS CHINA

At Hongkong relatives are waiting, a group of them -- expecting the return of Americans from Red China. American ~~civilians~~ civilians -- now being released. So far, ^{none} ~~any~~ ~~of them~~ have appeared at Hongkong, but some of the relatives say they have word from detained Americans -- to expect them soon.

Another Communist country joins - in releasing prisoners from the ^{(West.} ~~West.~~ Red Albania is ~~is~~ returning thirteen Italian prisoners of war, kept in concentration camps ever since the end of World War Two.

ATOMIC

Britain announces - two new series of atomic tests, in Australia next year. We don't know just what sort of nuclear devices they'll try out. Except that we're told - no hydrogen bomb. Britain is building an H-bomb - but, nothing of the sort will be included in these experiments.

The atomic weapons will be tested in two places. One - the Monte Bello Islands, off the Northwest coast of Australia. The other - Maralinga, which is in the heart of the Australian Desert.

Two very different places - islands of the sea, and the blistering sands of Central Australia. Why the two places? We're not informed.

EARTHQUAKE

A great earthquake - in the eastern Mediterranean - the center of the disturbance - Egypt, the delta of the Nile.

Buildings shaken down in Cairo and Alexandria.

Eighteen lives lost, about a hundred injured - according to latest ~~reports~~ reports. The shocks lasted for forty seconds, and were felt throughout Egypt.

The island of Cyprus was shaken without casualties or damage. Israel reports - the strongest earthquake in thirteen years. The tremor - felt particularly in the southern desert, the Negev. Which is next door to Egypt.

HURRICANE

Hurricane Hilda^d, Ahoy! Born suddenly - and right off our coast. Surprisingly near - for the birth place of a hurricane. In the outer fringe^s of the Bahamas. Hurricane Hilda - growing quickly[^] a mere eight hundred and fifty miles southeast of Miami.

Tonight, Gordon Dunn, Chief Hurricane forecaster said: "It's a little ~~late~~ too early yet to determine just what Hilda will do. After all, she was born about daylight this morning, and is still developing. But ^{he adds,} we feel sure the storm will follow the west northwest course in the next twenty-four hours. The upper air currents," he explains, "favor such a direction."

That course would take Hilda across the Bahamas, to Florida. Hurricane warnings up - in all those West Indian areas.

FOREST FIRES

Forest fires continue - in California. Two big ones - raging in the Klamath National Forest, near the border of Oregon. Two other major conflagrations - in the *great* Sequoia National ~~Re~~ Forest, *— in the High Sierras,* All - sweeping out of control.

LONGSHOREMEN

The strike of the longshoremen goes into a sudden reversal. Yesterday, the word was that an agreement had been reached, ending the wal^hjout - which has tied up the port of New York for days. Today - the sudden change. The President of the International Longshoremen's association - ordering the New York strike to continue. And - calling for a general walkout of longshoremen in all eastern ports, from Canada to Texas.

The agreement, yesterday, was made with a staff member of the New York State Legislative Committee, ~~who~~ which has been ~~tryng to end the strike~~ trying to end the strike. Later, the Committee Chairman said - the agreement had been made without his approval, and was not binding.

Whereupon, the Union President shouted, "it's a doublecross." ^{So far} The call for a strike all along the coast has not been very effective outside New York. The response, thus far called - "spotty."

RITA HAYWORTH

Movie actress Rita Hayworth has left Hollywood secretly, we hear. Taking her daughter, Princess Yasmin - for a visit with the child's father, Prince Aly Khan.

In her breakup with her husband, Crooner Dick Haymes, one angle was - a legal requirement that the child should visit her grandfather the Aga Khan. ^{Who} This year ^{is} in France. Aly Khan ^{is} suing in a Nevada court to compel the visit.

Now we hear - that, after ~~he~~ the break up with Haymes, Rita Hayworth heard from Aly Khan. He ~~had~~ told her that - if she would bring the child over to Europe, he would withdraw the lawsuit.

So now she's on her way - ~~to~~ to meet Aly Khan on the Riviera. In Hollywood, Dick Haymes is reported as declaring - he won't ~~follow~~ follow Rita to Europe. The last time he followed her was to Hawaii, before they were married - and that began his troubles with the U.S. Immigration authorities.

TENNIS

The big tennis matches we've been having bring up an old question - why not have "open tournaments in tennis, as they have in golf? The pros - playing with amateurs.

The pros are all for it, and a new demand is made by Jack Kramer, who runs professional tennis. Kramer says: "The 'open' tournament is sure to come."

The amateur game is to have new leadership, apparently. The President of the United States Lawn Tennis Association, Colonel Jim Bishop of Culver, Indiana - is ending a four year term. To be succeeded, we hear - by Renville McMann of New York. So what has McMann to say about it?

"Right now," ~~as~~ he declares, "I'm against open tennis, and so is the Lawn Tennis Association. Wholeheartedly!"

So there seems to be little chance of professionals and amateurs getting together.

Colonel Jim Bishop argues - that open tournaments are all right in golf. Because in golf tournaments, the

players shoot against par - and not against each other.

It's not personal competition.

"The pros", he goes on, "can't advertise that they have this many, or that many, amateur scalps at their belts.

Because the pros are not, essentially, playing against the amateurs."

All of which leaves the old argument as controversial as ever.

MAILMAN

Up in Maine, today, they had a referendum - to build a bridge, or not to build a bridge. A question - of constructing a million dollar span from the town of Jonesport over to Beal's Island. So how did Willie Beal vote?

We might explain that, on tiny Beal's Island, there are six hundred people. One-hundred-and-fifty of them - named Beal. Well, anyway, Willie Beal voted - in favor of the bridge.

Willie is the local mailman - the only one in the country who delivers letters and packages, rowing a boat. For twenty-nine years, Willie had hauled away at the oars - rowing the mail across to the island. Every day - never missing a day. In spite of howling gales, and winter ice.

On a good, easy day, the trip in the boat requires - about an hour each way. But it's longer when a howling north-easter blows, kicking up the water. Once, on a bitter winter day, the rowboat got locked in the ice, Willie had to stay there for three hours, until a change of the tide broke up

the ice. "Nearly froze to death," says he.

So ~~now~~ no wonder Willie voted for a bridge - which would enable him to drive his old jallopy, carrying the mail.

LADY

In New York, Mrs. Anne Mahoney, fifty-four years old, got into an argument with a taxi driver. She was ~~in~~ a bit noisy about it, and policeman Robert MacDonald intervened. The cop - a burly six footer.

In court, the policeman related: "She grabbed me, picked me up as though I were a baby, and threw me against an automobile."

- Hugh -
P.S. [^] Mrs. Mahoney is a woman wrestler. A six footer.

Weighing - two-hundred-and-seventy-five pounds.