

CASTRO

L.T. - Delco. Thurs. Jan. 8 - '59.

Havana <sup>What</sup> - a deafening, ear-splitting, place <sup>it was</sup> today! As Fidel Castro - made his triumphal entry into the <sup>Cuban capital.</sup> ~~city~~ Cannon-booming; Thousands of Castro followers - firing guns in the air; Church bells - ringing; Automobiles - honking; <sup>and</sup> ~~their horns.~~ Immense crowds yelling - Viva ~~the~~ Castro! As the triumphant insurgent leader rode through the streets, Thirty-two year old Castro, with a heavy beard and long hair - standing in a jeep, which was followed by a military parade of armor and marching men - two miles long.

Yes, a bedlam of ear-splitting triumph in Havana.

But - with grim shadows in the background. The insurgent regime moving to take vengeance on the henchmen of the fallen dictator, Batista. New President Urrutia - announcing that they'll be tried as war criminals. Urrutia citing the precedent of the Nuremberg trials of Nazi war criminals. Thirteen hundred suspected followers of Batista - arrested in Havana alone. Reports are that at least twenty military and police officers of the former government - have been court-martialed and

executed. A score of others - shot by rebel militiamen, without any trial.

A dark side - of the revolutionary picture.

## BATISTA

At Key West, local officials made a search of three Cuban ships - trying to find seventeen million dollars. This - at the request of the new revolutionary government in Havana. The Castro people saying - that a Batista official took all that cash out of the country, when the Strong Man was overthrown.

One of the three vessels was Batista's presidential yacht.

So, a search was made at Key West. But - no seventeen million bucks. Although the Customs authorities did find ninety-two thousand -- in the possession of three high ranking Cuban naval officers, who - were aboard the Batista yacht.

SENATE

*In Washington* The battle in the Senate - put off until tomorrow.

After all-day wrangling - about the filibuster question.

*P* Democratic liberals - pushing a bill to change the Senate rules,

~~in~~ such a way - that it would be a simple matter to choke off

long distance oratory. By which - the Southerners talk

Civil Rights bills to death.

The faction of moderates - backing a compromise measure  
urged by Democratic Leader Lyndon Johnson of Texas.

The Southerners, of course, are against any change  
of the Senate Rules.

Senator Johnson had hopes - of getting the  
anti-filibuster business voted on today. But Senator Wayne  
Morse of Oregon, and other liberals, announced - they have a  
lot of things to say. Taking - time.

As a result, the Senate voted unanimously - to put  
the voting and the talking off until tomorrow.

DeGAULLE

*M. le President*

President Charles DeGaulle - that's his title tonight.

The tall General inaugurated - as President of the Fifth

Republic, today. He, himself - the creator of the Fifth

Republic. The new regime in which <sup>*so many*</sup> exceptional powers are <sup>*now*</sup> vested

in the President.

There was a triumphal parade along the Champs d'Elysee.

After which President DeGaulle named a Premier to form a new

Cabinet. His choice - as expected. Michel Debre - a long time

DeGaulle follower, <sup>*who*</sup> won't be bothered by problems of lining

up a majority in the National Assembly - where the DeCaullists

have an overwhelming majority.

EGYPT

Cairo reports an air battle between Egyptian and Israeli ~~war~~<sup>- jets.</sup>planes. A clash in the sky - above the Sinai peninsula. Cairo claiming - that six Israeli jets invaded Egyptian air space. One - shot down and another damaged. In combat - with Egyptian jets.

On the Israeli side, the statement is - that Israeli jets intercepted four Egyptian Migs near Beersheba, ~~Israeli~~<sup>over</sup> - Israeli territory. ~~The~~<sup>That</sup> Egyptian planes ~~were~~<sup>were</sup> chased back to Egyptian territory, after a brief skirmish in the air. ~~The~~<sup>IF</sup> Israeli report makes no mention - of anything shot down.

## MIKOYAN

President Eisenhower, today, called on Americans - to preserve good manners toward Mikoyan. The President disturbed by the hostile demonstrations against the Moscow Deputy Premier in Cleveland. The throwing - of rocks and eggs.

Today, Mikoyan was in Detroit. Where a party of pickets - was waiting for him. People - from European countries under Communist oppression.. But, this time - the pickets were outwitted.

They were parading on the airport parking lot, where they supposed - Mikoyan would have to take an automobile. But, instead, the plane aboard which he came - taxied up to a big hangar. Mikoyan and his party - going inside. Automobiles - then driving in, and picking them up. So Mikoyan was on his way into Detroit - without the pickets ever having got a glimpse of him.

He made a tour of inspection at the Ford River Rouge plant - and, tonight, is a guest at a reception attended by top flight industrialists, business men, and financiers.

FOLLOW MIKOYAN

*- by the way -*

The Mikoyan visit has caused a rift - between labor leaders. Some difference of opinion - at least.

On Tuesday, two Vice-Presidents of the AFL-CIO had lunch with the Moscow Deputy Premier. Walter Reuther and James B. Carey - in a meeting with Mikoyan. *And now*

~~While~~ today, comes a scathing declaration from George Meany, President of the AFL-CIO. *Addressing* a labor-science conference in Washington, ~~he~~ *Meany* called Mikoyan - "an old-time Stalinist, who perpetrated the greatest double-cross in modern civilized history." Which referred, of course, to the leading part Mikoyan played - in the crushing of the Hungarian revolt. When leaders of the freedom fighters were lured into conference, ~~Then~~ - treacherously arrested, ~~Some~~ - later executed.



## SOVIET WOMEN

A dispatch from Moscow gives us a curious kind of a simile - a figure of speech. You know how it is, when you wax eloquent, and try to think of a comparison.

A Russian orator was holding forth on the subject of women - always an emotional topic. He was trying to describe - the high degree of virtue expected of Russian woman. And hit a high note - with these words: "Our women," he cried, "must be as pure as our ice cream."

Which may sound like - a reduction to absurdity. But that ice cream simile - has its point. (

{ Referring - to our present visitor, Mikoyan, ~~To~~ a previous trip of his - to the United States, ~~When~~ he was most impressed - by American ice cream! So, when he went back to Russia, he started a Soviet ice cream industry. Based - on American models. Ice cream - becoming exceedingly popular in the Soviet Union, ~~Which~~ boasts ~~of~~ a superior brand. With many flavors - and pure.

- Don -  
So now, Russian women - expected to live up to the ~~that~~  
~~even~~ *be as pure as the driven - ice cream.*

## SCIENCE

In Washington, a prediction - that Soviet Russia is likely to put an atomic plane in the air, this year. So stated by Chairman Melvin Price, of the Senate-House Atomic Research Sub-Committee, who adds - that we ourselves could speed up the production of a plane with an atomic engine. So why are we lagging?

At the same time, a hand-book made public by a Congressional Committee, today, gives the forecast - that the Soviets will send up that space ship with a human passenger - do it "soon!" The word "soon" appears to mean - in the next couple of years, at the latest.

Where are you going, my pretty maid.

I'm going to the Moon, sir - she said!