

BERLIN

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GE (Given by Allan Jackson, L.T. in Zanzibar)

The Western powers are making moves - looking toward a Big Four meeting with Soviet Russia, on the subject of Berlin and German reunification. In Washington, today, a spokesman for the State Department indicated that the possibility of a Big Four ~~palaver~~ <sup>Get together</sup> will be discussed in Paris. Where Secretary of State John Foster Dulles - will meet with the Foreign Ministers of Britain, France, and West Germany.

In London, meanwhile, Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd informed the House of Commons - that the British government is ready to discuss the German problem with the Russians. The meeting of the Western diplomats in Paris - the first step.

( Neither Washington nor London gives any indication whether or not the proposed meeting would be at the level of the Foreign Ministers. Or, perhaps, a summit conference with the heads of state. )

GENEVA

Another proposal presented in Geneva - at the talks for a ban on atomic testing. The Soviets - handing in a plan for three-nation control, by Russia, Britain, and the United States. Other nations - excluded from the arrangements, France and Communist China, for example. The Western powers are suggesting a broader scheme - in which various other nations might participate.

Today's Russian proposal for a three-nation control for nuclear testing provides for unlimited veto power. Moscow loving - that veto.

DULLES

Strong words - from Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, today. On the subject - of Red China. The Secretary - giving his opinion of what it would mean, if we granted diplomatic recognition and the Communist regime in Peiping were admitted into the United Nations. He said - they'd gain so much prestige and influence - that their subversive efforts throughout Asia would almost certainly succeed. Non-Communist Asia - falling under the domination of Red China. Our own defense line in the Pacific - thrown back to the American West coast.

This was the strongest public statement Secretary Dulles has made thus far - in rejecting <sup>and</sup> the recognition <sup>of</sup> U.N. membership <sup>for</sup> of the Chinese Communists. (His audience - the California Chamber of Commerce. Which is regarded - as a significant thing. Business men on the west coast have been saying - that we're losing Chinese trade, because of our present policy. But Secretary Dulles, today, pointed out - that we'd lose trade in Asia, if the Reds took over non-Communist countries.)



## BRIDE

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The British government are permitting an American child-bride -- to remain in England. Mrs. Barbara Scruggs, fourteen years old, of White Plains, Virginia - who recently married a twenty-one year old sailor in the U.S. Navy. He - sent over to England. She - following.

This aroused an uproar of protest - because, in Britain, marriage under the age of sixteen is illegal. However, London newspapers advised the public - to pay more attention to the behavior of British teen age girls. Referring - to recent London scandals. *K*anyway, Her Majesty's government informed Parliament, today - that the American child-bride will be permitted to remain in Britain.



## ISRAEL

( Israel, today, demanded an urgent meeting of the Security Council of the United Nations. To consider charges that Syrian cannon have been bombarding Israeli villages along the border. The shellfire - about which we heard yesterday. )

The Senate Rackets investigators - questioned the "peacemaker". On the subject - of music. Suggesting - harmony. However, the "peacemaker" would not answer the questions - taking the Fifth Amendment all down the line. The proceedings - not so harmonious.

The "peacemaker" is Frank Cammarata, a Detroit ex-convict. Said to be most influential - in the juke box racket. Able to settle quarrels - between rival juke box outfits.

There was evidence of cases - where one distributing company was favored by officials of the Teamsters Union - and got its juke boxes installed in taverns, restaurants, and so on. A competing company - threatening to make trouble. But the "peacemaker" was called in. A word from Ex-convict Cammarata - settling the argument. Establishing - juke box harmony.

Today, he took the Fifth Amendment - in exceedingly broken English. Committee Counsel Robert Kennedy charging - that he was putting on an act. The Sicilian born Cammarata - able to talk English much better than that.)

Meanwhile, he's to be deported out of this country.

We need "peacemakers" all right, but not that kind - with juke  
box harmony.



## LOS ANGELES

A Los Angeles mystery turns out to have been the work - of the "Trojan Knights". Sounds like the mighty Hector - in the days of Helen of Troy. But the "Trojan Knights" of today - are a student group at the University of Southern California. Who planted a bomb - in the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum.

There was a sensation, when the bomb was discovered. Fixed, apparently, for an explosion during a football game. The "Trojan Knights" declare - it was harmless. But the police are not inclined to pass it off - as a student prank. They say - when they tested the explosive, it blew up.

## INTRO. TO RECORDING

Our report from Lowell Thomas tonight suggests an old thought. When you're traveling in distant exotic parts, you're likely to think - of home. In Lowell's case, the old home-town.

## L.T.-CRIPPLE CREEK BOOK

If there is a more exciting place to live than a gold mining camp, in its heyday, I've never heard of it. Of course, this in part is due to the suspense that is always in the air. Your neighbor, just across the street, may come home from the mines at any hour with the thrilling news that he has struck it rich. Or, it may be your own father, or brother, or husband.

As everybody knows who reads books, or goes to the theatre, the people who follow a gold rush are as colorful a crowd as you'll find: prospectors, gamblers, saloon keepers, men of the prize ring, dance hall girls, and all those who are looking for an easy quick way to make a fortune.

So no wonder some of the most exciting books ever written have been books describing a gold rush, the Trail of Ninety-Eight, the days of Forty-Nine in California, the discovery of gold in South Africa; the list is endless.



California had its Brett Hart, the Klondike and Alaska gave us Jack London, Robert Service, Rex Beach and others. The early mining days in Nevada provided Mark Twain with some of his best material.

However, for some reason that I could never understand, the greatest gold rush of them all, and the last big one, to Cripple Creek, in the Rockies, that camp produced no Homer to give us the story of the wild days of excitement, the fortunes that were won and lost, the shooting scrapes, and so on, at Cripple Creek. That is, until now.

Some of you have heard me tell about the old days in Cripple Creek, on the air. On several occasions I have given my evening broadcast from that lurid gold mining camp. Because I spent many years of my life there, went to school, worked in the mines, was a reporter and editor on newspapers in that gold camp when it was booming, for years my friends tried to get me to write the story of the

Cripple Creek District. But, I never got around to it.

Now, I am glad that I didn't. Because the thrilling story of the old days in Cripple Creek has just been written, brilliantly, by Mabel Barbee Lee. And if you like true stories, full of excitement, laughs, pathos, thrills, the story of the mad scramble for gold, the story of the picturesque people who were involved in this search don't miss Mabel Barbee Lee's book. It's just out. The title of it, Cripple Creek Days. It's full of shooting, love, disappointment, tragedy, and laughter.

Gold! What magic there is in that word! This is it. The story of Cripple Creek, the greatest gold camp of them all.

There's another Churchill uproar over in England - and again it's a question of a <sup>likeness</sup> ~~portrait~~ of the world's most famous statesman. This time - a sculptured statue of Sir Winston.

The people of Woodford, <sup>constitutes</sup> ~~which~~ Churchill, ~~represents in~~ Parliament, commissioned a well known sculptor, David McFall, to carve the marble and he turned out a statue eight feet and six inches tall. Sir Winston <sup>(22)</sup> shown - grim and severe with an angry scowl. Indignant critics declare it makes their favorite statesman look like a gorilla. His head and ears - too big. His feet - also too big. "We don't want that monstrosity here," says one prominent citizen at Woodford.

All of which recalls the row four years ago - when a portrait of Churchill was painted for his eightieth birthday, <sup>the</sup> and was bitterly denounced. People saying <sup>that</sup> - it made Sir Winston look like a turtle.

A turtle then, a gorilla now - alas, poor Churchill.