

KADAR

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in New Guinea.)

A report from Vienna states that the Premier of Red Hungary / is about to lose his / job. Premier Kadar, to give up his government post - on orders direct from Moscow. We are told that Khrushchev passed on the word - during his recent conferences with Kadar in Moscow.

But this doesn't mean / the Red puppet in Hungary is about to disappear / ^{from public life} Kadar is also head of the Communist party - and that ~~the~~ ^{apparently} job he'll / keep. Which means, he'll still be the most important man in the Soviet satellite.

The change in Hungary - is similar to what happened after Stalin's death. The dead tyrant was both Premier and head of the party in Russia. But the "collective leadership" divided the jobs. And today Bulganin is Premier, with Khrushchev head of the Communist party. That's the kind of change Hungary is in for - if the Vienna report is right.

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SYRIA

A British newspaper claims that Russians are arriving in Syria by the hundreds. The "London Daily Express" reporting they're coming in by plane and ^{by} ship. They're described as typical Soviet hatchet men - technicians, political experts, members of the security police, and so on. According to the London paper, these Russians are now fanning out across Syria - turning up as advisers at key points. ~~The main~~ The story ~~is~~ further indication that ~~is~~ - Syria seems to be firmly in the grasp of the Kremlin.

But a different opinion - comes from Cairo. Syrian President Shukri El Kuwatly is in the Egyptian capital for medical treatment. He says his country will never turn Communist. He interprets what has happened - as a matter of Syrian nationalism - strictly internal and domestic. And he asks the west to leave Syria alone.

[There is one catch to the Kuwatly declaration. We ~~will~~ still don't know his status. He came to Egypt as President

of Syria. But reports reaching Lebanon indicate - he's been
ousted by the left wing junta now governing the nation.]

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POLES

Tonight, around thirty Poles are asking Denmark for political asylum. They were passengers aboard the ^{luxury} ship "Batory." This vessel, making Poland's first big tourist cruise/ since the Poznan uprising in June of Nineteen Fifty-Six.

The refugees/ waited until they docked at Copenhagen. And then/ ^{they} jumped ship. Some of them/ have already appealed openly for asylum - the rest, hiding until the "Batory" sails.

This is the latest incident in the strange history of the "Batory". In Nineteen Forty-Nine, the American Communist, Gerhardt Eisler, jumped bail in New York - and fled to Europe aboard the fourteen-thousand ton Polish liner. Later, crew members began to jump ship in the free ports of the world. The situation, so bad that she was taken off the North Atlantic run in Nineteen Fifty One. And then came the final straw - the "Batory's" Captain, fleeing from his own ship in London, two years later. It's no wonder the sailors of the free world are calling the "Batory" - the jinx ship of Communism.

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AMERICANS

Today forty-one Americans rode triumphantly into Peiping. They left Moscow nine days ago - and traveled by train over one of the longest and most rugged track systems in the world. And they did it, as we know - in defiance of our State Department.

~~Well, the State Department's warning seems justified.~~

~~The Chinese Reds started using the Americans - for propaganda~~

~~purposes, as soon as they arrived.~~ A big crowd was at the

station in Peiping. A brass band played lively western music.

Flower girls showered the new arrivals with blossoms. And

there were shouts for peace and friendship.

The forty one Americans issued an official statement.

They say they're interested in China's ancient civilization.

And they add they want to inspect, what they call, "important

new developments." In other words, the changes brought about

in China by Mao Tse Tung and his Communists.

Naturally, that statement is being broadcast through-

out the Far East - by radio Peiping. Asians being told
everywhere - how forty one young Americans bravely defied the
capitalists - and came to Red China to see the "important
new developments" for which ^{they say} Communism is responsible.

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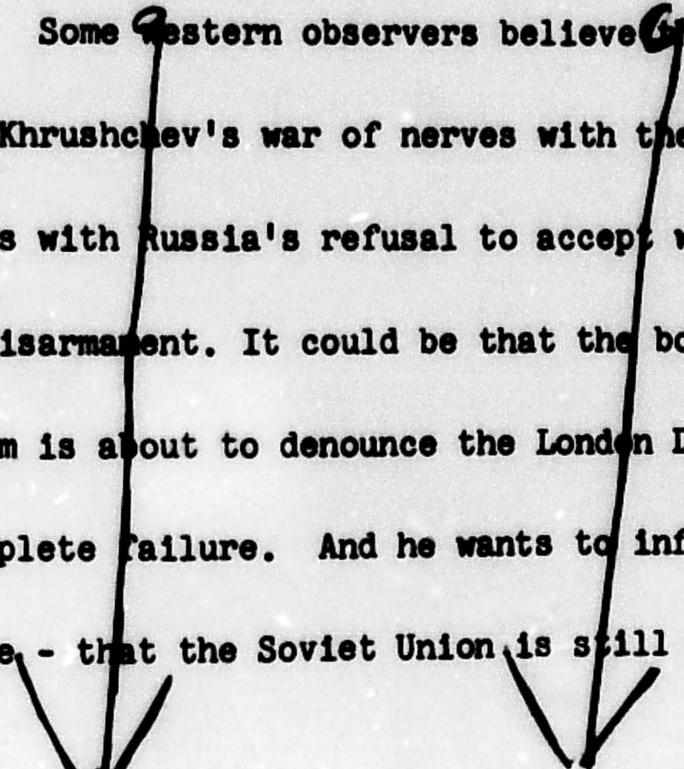
ATOMIC

The thirteenth nuclear device of the present series was exploded at Angels Peak, Nevada, today. The device, carried by a balloon-fifteen hundred feet above the proving grounds, and touched off electronically. The explosion, equal to ten thousand tons of TNT. An orange fire-ball glowed in the sky - for nearly forty seconds. Then the familiar mushroom cloud - towering twenty thousand feet. It was observed in places as far away - as Los Angeles and Salt Lake City.

SIBERIA FOLLOW ATOMIC

And the Russians are going ahead with their nuclear tests. As usual, the Kremlin isn't giving out any information. But our Atomic Energy Commission reports the latest explosion has been detected by our scientists. The place - Siberia. The Russian bomb called "of substantial size" which means that it could be a hydrogen bomb.

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Some western observers believe this explosion - is part of Khrushchev's war of nerves with the west. The explosion coincides with Russia's refusal to accept western proposals for atomic disarmament. It could be that the boss of Soviet Communism is about to denounce the London Disarmament Conference as a complete failure. And he wants to inform the world at the same time - that the Soviet Union is still making atomic weapons.



SIBERIA FOLLOW ATOMIC

Meanwhile, in London, the Soviet delegate has reversed himself about the western disarmament proposals. Now Valerian Zorin says he wants to hear more about them. This is quite a change from Zorin's bitter attacks of the past few weeks.

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HOPFA

The Senate Rackets Committee today heard more testimony - from - the man who seems to be in line to become head of the Teamsters Union. Jimmy Hoffa, testifying about those "phoney locals" in New York. Hoffa's explanation - it was all due to the President of the Teamsters, Dave Beck. Hoffa is accused of setting up the locals himself, as part of a scheme with racketeer Johnny Dio. The union leader and the alleged racketeer - conspiring to seize control of labor in the New York area. That's the charge freely made inside the committee.

But today, Hoffa insisted he acted - on assignment from Dave Beck. Hoffa adding, he never worked with any members of the underworld - as far as he knows. And he promises to clean up any criminal elements - if he does succeed ~~Dave~~ Beck as head of the Teamsters.

Senator Irving Ives of New York accused Hoffa of consorting with, in the Senator's words, "bums and criminals." Hoffa's answer - the present rackets investigation has taught

him some things he never knew. His general picture of himself is of an honorable man - acting on orders from his superior.

But committee counsel, Robert Kennedy, was unwilling to let him off so easily. Kennedy wanted a promise that Hoffa intended to take away the charters of the "phoney locals." But Hoffa would not give any such promise. He simply said - there'll be a complete investigation of the unions - if he becomes President of the Teamsters.

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ADD HOFFA

Hoffa did not invoke the Fifth Amendment during his testimony. But he frequently said he couldn't remember. And the committee abruptly dismissed him from the witness chair. The Senators complaining that Hoffa "has no memory."

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ARMY

The Army is going to cut the size of its forces again in the Pentagon's new economy drive. At least one combat division will disappear. Also eighteen anti-Aircraft Battalions. At the same time, Uncle Sam is shutting down installations that will eliminate Fifteen Thousand civilian jobs.

The British Foreign Office officially announces - the end of the war in Southern Arabia. The Sultan, supported by the British - victorious over the rebellious Imam. The Foreign Office announcement says flatly, "resistance to the Sultan's forces has ceased."

We are given the casualty figures, among the followers of the Imam - about thirty killed, and twenty wounded. Only one soldier of the Sultan was killed, and one wounded - with a few cases of heat prostration among the British.

~~The casualty list may sound like something out of a comic opera - but it was a real struggle for one of the key areas of the world - southern Arabia, with its oil and its strategic position near the Suez Canal.~~

INTRODUCTION TO L T

Tonight's report from Lowell Thomas tells us more about an Australian who has one of the toughest jobs in the world - policing the jungles of New Guinea, out where the headhunters live.

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SEPIK RIVER

L.T.: - When we started up the Sepik River the other day, accompanied by an Australian Patrol Officer and three native police, that sounded like considerable protection. But since then I have discovered something mildly disturbing. That our Australian patrol officer never carries a loaded gun. That the rifles the police boys have are merely like a badge or something of that sort. They have no cartridges, and no training in shooting a gun. But that's the way the Australians are trying to make friends and influence the Stone Age people of New Guinea. They believe it is the best way, even though it does cost the life of an Australian official now and then. Two were killed in one of the villages we are heading for - in what is called uncontrolled territory.

Yesterday we passed a village called Swagup, where the inhabitants will have nothing whatever to do with

missionaries, or any Whites. Last week a patrol officer stopped there, and when he went ashore the inhabitants vanished into the bush. On other occasions they have stayed, and told visitors, in no uncertain terms, to get out. Some times threatening them with their spears.

Wanting to get pictures of some of these Swagup people, we took one of our double canoes in near shore. For several hours before we got there the native boys -who were operating the dugouts indicated in no uncertain way that that they wanted to go back down the river, wanted to go home. All morning they had trouble with their outboard motor. And when they found that excuse didn't work they became ill, and said they wanted to go to a hospital. Although, normally you can't get them near a hospital. When they found themselves face to face with a few of the Swagup tribesmen they tried to hide behind the crates and camera cases on board.

As for the Swagup people, we didn't know what they thought. But, as they sat in their canoes, each man kept his right hand at his side, ready to go into action with his bow and arrow.

Before the White Man came, village fought village. There was endless war, taking of heads, and cannibalism. Evidently it had been that way for thousands of years.

To the south of us is Mount Magen, one of the highest peaks on the island. Not long ago fighting was going on between two large tribes, each with 5 or 6,000 people. A tribe nearly always has a sacred zone, where they stage ceremonies. In this valley, in the sacred area, the tribesmen plant a big shrub called the "Tanget". Their superstition is that as long as their Tanget trees flourish in the sacred enclosure so long does the tribe flourish. If the tanget tree withers, the tribe dies.

One tribe in fighting the other, ringed all the Tangets in the sacred area of their neighbors. This

caused consternation among the people of that tribe, all of which was solved in a most ingenious way by the patrol officers who were sent in, Bob Daugherty and Dennis Faithful. Faithful suggested they try tree surgery. They patched the ringed parts of the sacred trees, taped them all up, with the result that they did not wither and die. A striking example of the way in which the Australians are attempting - and succeeding - in wiping out head-hunting and the old tribal wars of New Guinea.

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FIGHT

The question of sports arose during a congressional investigation again today. The sport under investigation - boxing. The reason, last night's match in Seattle between Champion Floyd Patterson and Challenger Pete Rademacher.

I guess you all know what happened. The champ, flooring Rademacher seven times - knocking him out in the sixth round. But the most interesting point was - Rademacher had never fought a professional fight before. He was our Olympic champion - who turned pro for one night - just to fight the champion.

Well, Congressman Kenneth Keating of New York ^{A BOXING FAN} ~~calls the bout "modified murder". And he thinks that boxing should set up a czar - to prevent anything like this from happening again. ~~Congressman Keating, a boxing fan doesn't want anything like the Patterson Rademacher match to happen again.~~~~