

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

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The government of Red Czechoslovakia - has mobilized the private army of the Communist Party, and cancelled leaves for security troops. ^{This} ~~It's~~ a reaction to the Poznan riots, ~~in~~ Poland. The Czech Reds ~~don't~~ want ^{ing to avoid} anything like that, ~~in their~~ country.

Meanwhile, a Prague newspaper admits ~~that~~ there is unrest in Czechoslovakia. And ^{tells of} ~~the paper claims~~ that plots to overthrow the government, ~~have been smashed by the Security~~ Police.

Western observers ~~believe that the Czech Reds have~~ ^{say} ~~a right to be worried~~ For one thing, anti-Communism has been very strong in Czechoslovakia, - ~~with~~ many demonstrations, ~~in~~ the cities. ^{and} Secondly, Czechoslovakia ~~has been~~ torn by dissension - ever since the ^{down gradually} ~~degradation~~ of Stalin.

FRENCH REDS

The French Communist Party announces that it now is satisfied with the down grading of Stalin. This follows three weeks of heated discussion inside Communist ranks. With many comrades objecting to the things Khrushchev said about the dead tyrant. Finally, the French Reds agreed to send a delegation to Moscow - to get a first hand report. Three top Reds went to Moscow, yesterday they met Khrushchev, heard what he had to say - and then flew back to Paris.

Now the Central Committee gives its verdict.

Khrushchev, hailed with, "warm and unanimous approval."

All this in contrast to the stand of Togliatti in Italy who has been criticized in Moscow because of his objections to the way the fame of his old friend, Stalin, has been handled.

POLAND

Tonight Poland lodged a formal protest in Washington - that America has been interfering in Poland's internal affairs. The ~~ri~~ Polish Ambassador said his superiors object in particular - to a state department declaration that we were "profoundly shocked" by the shooting of Polish workers during the Poznan riots.

The Communist government of Poland is rushing food into the city of Poznan - to satisfy the cry for bread. The Reds are also granting tax rebates to workers.

But the Communists say there will be no freedom for Poland. Press and radio, warning that Communism is there to stay. In other words, the rebels of Poznan raised the cry of "bread and freedom". - They'll get half of their demand - maybe. Bread - no freedom.

One observer just in from Poland, estimates that three thousand are now under arrest in Poznan. "Troops patrolling the city - all public buildings under guard."

NATO

The North Atlantic Treaty Organization - issues a statement on the question of Russian disarmament. As we know, the Kremlin has been making propaganda - out of the recent reduction of its armed forces ^{- by some} ~~when~~ six hundred thousand ^{men} ~~men were returned to civilian life.~~

The Nato Military command says that the Soviets ~~economy is still geared - to equip troops in war. And we~~ ~~hear that there are still~~ ^{have some} ~~a lot of troops~~ six million men ^{under} ~~including the satellites.~~ ^{Arms -} According to Nato, within a month of the outbreak of war, the ^{Reds} ~~Communist empire~~ could put more than four hundred divisions into the field. Also, ^{that they} ~~the Reds~~ have tripled their major air fields in Eastern Europe.

DEFENSE

The House Appropriations Committee approves more than a billion dollars - for military purposes. At the same time, the committee calls on defense Secretary Wilson - to stop that inter-service quarrel over guided missiles. The Army thinks its "nike" is best. The Air Force still stands by its "Talos."

The committee says that the loser in this quarrel - will be the American tax payer. And so it calls on Secretary Wilson - to put a stop to the quarrel.

ATOMIC

In Tokyo, Japanese scientists believe that we have exploded a hydrogen bomb from a ~~gyi~~ guided missile. The belief is based upon measurements of radioactivity in the air - also shock waves in ~~the~~ water, air, and the earth.

~~AKKEK~~ According to this report, the blast took place more than twenty miles up, ~~in the air~~. And only a rocket could reach that altitude. ~~According to~~ ^{The} Japanese ~~estimates~~ ^{refer to} this ~~was~~ the sixth atomic explosion of the new series in the Pacific.

TRADE

Ten Soviet trade experts are in London - to open ~~discuss~~ discussions involving more than five hundred million dollars a year. This the result of Khrushchev's proposal when he was touring Britain. *At that time he*

He said ~~then~~ that Britain and Russia should expand ~~their~~ trade relations. Prime Minister Eden agreed, ~~with that~~
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And ~~so~~ the Soviet delegation is ~~now~~ in London to talk about that five hundred million, *how to spend it.*

SECOND TERM

White House Press Secretary James Hagerty told newsmen today - that he has talked second term politics with President Eisenhower. According to Hagerty, he and the President had their chat - while strolling ~~as~~ around the Gettysburg farm.

You can imagine how his audience reacted - demanding to know, did the President say he intended to run ~~him~~ for a second term? Hagerty refused to answer that one. Then, someone asked why he was grinning - to which he answered, that it did not mean anything political. Said one newsman, "You look pretty happy." Which Hagerty admitted was true; but, he wouldn't say whether it had anything to do with the question of a second term for the President. In other words, he had an amiable guessing game with the men who cover the President for the newspapers.

Afterward, Laurence Burd, of the Chicago Tribune, made an informal poll of twelve colleagues in the temporary press room at Gettysburg. His question - do they believe that

Mr. Eisenhower will run again? The poll shows, eleven out of twelve - answered "yes."

NIXON

Vice President Nixon got an enthusiastic reception - when he arrived in Saigon today. The Vice President, flying in from the Philippines - and speaking before the National Assembly of Viet Nam.

He was greeted with a standing ovation - and his speech was interrupted several times by applause. In his speech, he pledged the support of the United States - in helping south Viet Nam remain free of Communism. And he praised the work of ~~Ruan~~ Premier Diem - who has guided his country through the storms and strains of the cold war - ever since the shooting war in Indo China ended. And Vice President Nixon delivered a personal letter from President Eisenhower to Premier Diem.

MAIL

President Eisenhower won one of his biggest victories during this session of Congress today - when the House voted to raise postal rates. The bill calls for an added penny an ounce for air mail or first class letters. Also, the ~~rate~~ rates on second class mail would be raised - involving newspapers, magazines, periodicals and so on. The bill is expected to raise more than four hundred million dollars annually - which would almost wipe out the chronic deficit of the post office department.

All that's needed now - approval by the Senate.

Once passed by both houses of Congress, it's sure to get the Presidential signature - since Mr. Eisenhower ~~is~~ has been urging a raise of postal rates as a major part of his legislative program.

SECURITY

Attorney General Brownell is urging Congress to nullify a Supreme Court decision. ^{in which it was} ~~In that decision, our highest tribunal~~ ruled that President Eisenhower went too far - in firing employees who held non-sensitive jobs. ^Q ~~That~~ decision ^{that} put the ~~whole~~ administration security program in question.

So Attorney General Brownell ^{now} ~~is~~ asking ^S Congress to restore the administration right - to deal with non-sensitive jobs on the old security basis. The Attorney General is supported by Philip Young, chairman of the Civil Service Commission. According to Young, the Supreme Court decision has forced the government to restore employees with known Communist backgrounds.

And he believes more than two hundred other employees will now seek reinstatement with back pay - including four postal workers who were, in Young's words, "members of a Communist party cell - in the New York post office."

SCHOOLS

President Eisenhower will continue to ask for a federal school aid bill - before Congress adjourns. So announced by White House Press Secretary, James Hagerty - referring to the defeat of a school bill in the House yesterday.

The bill was beaten by a coalition of southern Democrats and Republicans, and the issue was - segregation. The opponents of the bill, saying they would not accept the Powell amendment - which would with hold federal ^{aid from} ~~aid from~~ segregated schools.

According to Hagerty, the President wants the segregation issue divorced from the school problem. Mr. Eisenhower, feeling that it's necessary to get more classrooms in a hurry - and he ~~is~~ doesn't want it held ~~by~~ up by the segregation issue.

The President does not intend to send a special message to Congress. And even if he did - the chances of getting what he wants in this session of Congress - is almost dead. That's one thing on which both parties agree.

GENERAL MOTORS

In Detroit, the government has filed suit against General Motors - charging that great corporation with ~~conspiracy and illegal tactics~~ in attempting to gain a monopoly on bus sales. According to the suit, General Motors forced out competition, or ~~also~~ controlled ~~it~~ in the bus manufacturing field. The government wants ⁱⁿ to limit the sale of ^{G-M,} ~~General Motors~~ buses - to fifty percent of the bus company's needs.

In reply the President of G M says there's nothing in the charge. Harlow Curtice, denying that his company has either forced out, or controlled, competition. Said ~~he~~ ~~Curtice~~ General Motors engaged in no discrimination - as regards prices, terms and conditions, in the sale of its busses." *They just made a better bus, as one Washington columnist pointed out today.*

NEPAL

Today's dispatch from Nepal adds to the puzzling character of the news we had yesterday. We now hear that some forty persons are being hunted. Believed involved - in the plot to overthrow the government of King Mahendra. Eleven ~~have~~ already ~~been~~ arrested. Including - a Nepalese electrical engineer, named Padma Sundar. The conspiracy - revealed in secret documents taken from a former foreman in a jute mill. Two former Army officers - also arrested.

Today's dispatch from Katmandu includes a government announcement - that a tribunal will be set up to try those implicated in the plot. One curious angle of which is - money. Yesterday, the statement was that the conspirators had attempted to buy the support of the Nepalese Army with - "large sums of money." The source of the bundles of cash - not explained.

Young King Mahendra's father, a palace prisoner, ~~it~~ started the revolution against the hereditary Rana Prime Ministers. That was in the winter of Nineteen Fifty and Fifty One. Since then the Ranas have been out. The present Prime Minister being one of the young men the Ranas had kept in prison for ten years. So the question now is, who is behind this revolt that seems to have failed. Could it have been inspired by the wealthy Ranas? Or, are the Communists behind it? If it's the Ranas, that would not be surprising. Let me give you an idea of how wealthy some of them are:

Had Rana rule been oppressive? So far as taxation was concerned, evidently not. Then how come all these enormous Rana palaces? *and all their wealth?*

Nearly all state income came from land tax. And, from only two thirds of Nepal. The remaining one third, the Ranas in authority had either given to their own relatives, or to others they wanted to reward. Land grants of great value because they were tax free. Now the people hope to do

something about that. There are said to be at least fifty political parties here, and all of these are advocating land reform to readjust ~~in~~ those tax free grants.

I asked how it happened there were so many ~~apart~~ palaces in Matmandu, since taxation had been light? The palaces are called Durbars. Every time you turn a corner you see another impressive durbar, with its great Corinthian columns.

The answer was that although taxes were not heavy, no money was spent on roads, no money spent on schools, hardly any on public workers of any kind. The Ranas just took it all. Built more and more ~~apart~~ palaces, and continued to live in medieval feudal splendor beyond anything we can imagine.

For instance, one of the recent Rana hereditary Prime Ministers was Maharajah Chandra Shum Sher Jung Bahdur. For twenty eight years he was the absolute dictator of Nepal, later succeeded by his brothers Mohand, and Baber. Baber by the way was Commander in Chief at the time of the Nineteen

Fifty revolt. The report is that Chandra, in his ~~an~~ twenty-eight years, managed to pile up a fortune so vast that he gave each of his own sons approximately seven million dollars!

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SWING

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RAFT

Those three Frenchmen aboard that raft - bound for Europe, drifting with the current, are in dire distress. All three of them suffering from stomach ache.

Aboard one of our naval transports - a ship's doctor has radioed them what to do. So, maybe they are feeling better. As they sail on.

From there, to Miami - thirty nine days out from Spain.

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VOYAGE

Meanwhile, coming from the opposite direction, a twenty five foot ~~sloop~~ sloop today sailed into Miami's harbor - aboard her, two Germans. The skipper, Dr. Heinz Pokorny, a doctor from West Berlin, said they had sailed from Spain, in the path of Columbus. First to the Canaries, then the thirty seven hundred miles across the Atlantic to San Salvador. From there, to Miami - thirty nine days out from Spain.

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