

AMSTERDAM

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In Amsterdam, the airport officials say - they've never seen anything like it. ^{No wonder} ~~I haven't, either.~~ After all, how often do ten ^{mad} ~~furious~~ Russians invade an airport office - and start taking punches at everyone in sight?

It happened in Amsterdam, when the Dutch were asking Mrs. Irena Golub - if she wanted to stay in Holland. A pointed question - because her husband ^{Mr. Golub} defected from Communism yesterday -- Alexei Golub, a Soviet chemist - asking for asylum on the ground that he couldn't stand any more Red tyranny.

So - what about his wife? Did she want to - choose freedom? That's what the Dutch were trying to find out at the airport ~~at~~ police station - when in stormed those ten Russians. During the imbroglio that followed - the Soviet Ambassador managed to get himself punched in the nose. But the Russians pushed the Dutch away, seized Mrs. Golub - and hustled her into the office of the Soviet airline.

The airport police, quickly throwing a cordon -

around the building. Result - a seige. The Russians, remaining inside - while the police waited to grab them when they came out.

~~Some~~ Like a melodrama, leading up to - a grand climax? Unfortunately - it turned out to be anti-climax.

Mrs. Golub, satisfying the Dutch officials - that she was not being kidnapped. Taking off with the Soviet party - bound for Moscow. Leaving her husband behind - in the Hague.

DIPLOMACY

The chancellories of the free world are confused tonight - about the Berlin crisis. ~~And - aren't we all?~~ Because of those contrary statements ~~by~~ the diplomats who ought to know. For example, the West German Ambassador to Washington - claiming that the Kennedy Gromyko meeting on Friday ~~is~~ was "a step backward." This assertion, denied by - White House ~~xxx~~ Press Secretary Salinger. But, Salinger refuses to go so far as to say - that a step forward was taken on Friday.

The gravity of the international situation can be judged from the fact - that Salinger's non-committal statement is being intensively studied. The free world, asking whether sufficient grounds exist - for Washington and Moscow to start talking about the possibility of negotiations.

The administration would like to know - the answer. Today, Secretary of State Rusk was trying to find out - in high level conferences. First, calling ~~in~~ in our ambassadors to Russia and West Germany - to find out how they feel about

the political climate in Moscow and Bonn. Later, Secretary Rusk held a long meeting with the Ambassadors - from Britain, France and West Germany.

Sitting in on both conferences today - Charles Bohlen, our top expert on the Soviet Union. A tense round of diplomacy in Washington - designed to answer one question - what is Khrushchev up to? And - what can we do about it?

MANEUVERS

The Communist forces ^{now} engaged in maneuvers in

East Germany - are larger than the entire Nato force. Twenty

^{eight} ~~three~~ Red divisions - three more than Nato has. Backed by -

ten thousand tanks. Western intelligence reports add -

that the Reds are equipped with atomic rockets. The soldiers,

drawn - from all over the Communist empire. With emphasis

on - Russia, Poland, Czechoslovakia and East Germany. The

Communist maneuvers, adding up to what the West calls -

"veiled mobilization."

ALGERIA

The latest incident in Algeria shows - that DeGaulle's greatest opponent is growing bolder. General Raoul Salan, who was condemned to death by a French court - in absentia. Today, General Salan went on the air - from his Algerian hideout. His right wing followers, pirating a radio wave length - to let their leader make his broadcast. Salan's voice came over loud and clear - as he called for the overthrow of DeGaulle. ^{and} For a new French government decided to the proposition - that Algeria must remain ^{permanently} ~~permanently~~ a part of France.

RAYBURN

President Kennedy's flight to Dallas today - is almost a matter of round-trip, non-stop. The President, ~~sandwiching only a few minutes - into his tight schedule.~~
A ~~precious few minutes~~ ^{visiting} in Dallas, with Speaker Sam Rayburn - who is under treatment for cancer at Baylor University's Medical Center.

Mr. Kennedy and "Mr. Sam" have known each other ever since a young member of Congress from Massachusetts - arrived on Capitol Hill, And found that just about the most respected man there - was Speaker Sam Rayburn of Texas. Now the member of Congress is - President of the United States,)
And the Speaker - is still the speaker. The tragedy being, that politically Sam Rayburn has reached - the end of the trail. The one hope is that his doctors at Baylor may be able to prolong his life - with the latest wonder drugs.

WORLD SERIES

~~Well~~, what did you think of the outcome of the World Series? -- Thirteen to five in that final game, huh! I wonder how many fans agree with my theory - that if that fly ball had been caught in the third game, the whole series might have gone the other way.

If you'll check back on that game, you'll see that the Reds would have won, -- if -- and what a big if, -- if those three eager Reds had not collided. Maris would have had his homer, but the Reds would have had the game. And with that advantage they might well have gone on to win the series.

Anyhow, there were quite a few of us who wanted to see one or two more games at Yankee Stadium.

Anything ~~na~~ can happen in a ball game. And almost everything did in that ~~final~~ final game today.

Hail to the Yanks! hail to the Yanks! Once more champions of the world. How often ~~xxxxxx~~ down through the years you have heard that refrain from me.

MOON

I wonder what you think about the phrase "lunar igloo?" It should be - a contradiction. Ice houses on the moon, where there isn't any ice - because there isn't any water. Or even any atmosphere.

But the phrase refers to - shape. According to Dr. Deleonardo of General Electric - the igloo shape is the one that should be used for a moon base. The sphere, easiest to build - easiest to protect. If this plan is ~~not~~ followed, explosives will be rocketed from the earth - to blast large holes in the lunar surface. The first men to arrive, will carry in their equipment - a special kind ~~type~~ of cement. And they'll build their base - from chunks of porous rock thrown up by the explosions. Who'll be with you in your igloo ~~on the moon~~ on the moon, Dick.

WEATHER

a dispatch from - Little America tells of the thermometer - plunging, heavy snow - falling; a blinding blizzard - blowing across the trails; travel - ~~impossible~~ impossible; everyone caught outside heading for shelter.

Sounds like the way it ought to be at Little America? Ah, but this is - Little America, Wyoming, where winter has arrived. Fourteen inches of snow, and more falling. So many motorists stalled on the highway - that eight hundred turned up for shelter at a motel able to handle a hundred and ten.

Little America, Wyoming, living up to its Antarctic name.