

POLITICS

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(Mt. Tremblant)

The Republican High Command headed off Senator McCarthy, today - in the latest political skirmish. McCarthy asked for free television and radio time - to answer Adlai Stevenson. But - in Steps, G.O.P. National Chairman Leonard Hall, requesting - that the television and radio time be granted to the Republican National Committee. They, - to designate a speaker to answer Stevenson. ~~It is evident that~~ The Speaker they would name would ~~be~~ ^{hardly be} Joe McCarthy.

All this arises from ^{that} an address which Adlai Stevenson gave in Miami over the weekend. The defeated candidate in the Nineteen Fifty-two election speaking as titular head of the Democratic Party, he asked for radio-TV time - and got it.

The Stevenson oration, in Adlai's usual deft, smartly-worded way - assailed the Eisenhower administration. Charging - that the President has embraced "McCarthyism", and accusing the Wisconsin Senator of - "demagoguery and deceit."

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The McCarthy retort was immediate - demanding that the networks give him equal time to reply to the Stevenson attack.

The intervention of National Chairman Hall was a telegram to the networks, pointing out that Adlai Stevenson - "spoke in his capacity as leader of his party." This, he said, called for an official reply by the Republican^S. His wire adding: "We will designate our spokesman, who will speak for the Party."

Chairman Hall did not mention McCarthy's name, but it's interesting to note a previous episode - when former President Truman, on television and radio, fired a blast at the Republicans, on grounds of "McCarthyism?" At that time, the Wisconsin Senator demanded equal time - and got it. Whereupon he not only made a reply to Truman - but also took a few cracks at the administration of President Eisenhower. Which caused considerable pain in administration circle.

In the case of the Truman episode, the Republican

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Committee did not ask for time on the networks to make a reply - but now it's different.

Today, Senator McCarthy declared that the request made by Chairman Hall was - "completely justified." But added - that he, too, should be granted the facilities of radio and TV. Both the Republican Party and Senator McCarthy - answering Stevenson. Which, however, will not happen.

The requests were made to the Columbia Broadcasting System and the National Broadcasting Company. CBS replied immediately - granting the radio-TV time asked by Chairman Hall. But - rejected the McCarthy demand. The same goes for NBC. The time granted is between ten-thirty and eleven P.M., Eastern Standard Time, next Saturday. The same half an hour that was given to Adlai Stevenson - last Saturday. All ~~set~~ - *who will be for the official Republican speaker? So far that hasn't been announced.*

Add to McCarthy

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Also Kill last paragraph of Politics - following the words - given to Lela last Saturday

All set for the official Republican reply speaker. Who

So who will it be? The answer comes in a dispatch from Washington this evening. Vice President Nixon. He gets the assignment to make the official Republican reply.

PUERTO RICANS

~~The Federal Government is cracking down on Puerto Rican terrorists with action today, in both New York and Chicago.~~

At New York - seventy-five Puerto Ricans called to testify in an investigation. In Chicago, a twenty, subpoenaed. A sweeping Federal inquiry - intended to dig out secrets of the fanatical "Nationalist" party. Members, of which - did the shooting in Congress last week.

At the same time, in Puerto Rico, the Island Government has been staging a round-up of the "Nationalist High Command" the leaders of the terrorists. Six top Communists also arrested - the Reds believed to be instigators of terrorism.

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GENERAL DEAN

General Dean says - that, when he was a prisoner in Korea he was intimidated into writing two letters.

Today, the General testified before a Court of Inquiry, considering the case of Marine Colonel Schwable who confessed germ warfare - under threat of torture. General Dean - telling how the Reds forced him to write to the Commander of the U.S. Forces, General Walton Walker. Two letters - asking that our Air Forces should bomb "only military targets". The Reds, then making propaganda about the bombing of civilians.

He says they threatened to torture him with flaming bamboo spears. Also - with splinters shoved under his fingernails. He was convinced, moreover, that if he didn't write the letters, the Communists would forge his name to whatever they wanted. ~~Today he said~~

~~he thought was "pretty out."~~ Writing the letters

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HAGUIB

Result In Egypt, Naguib is at the top again - back in complete authority. Last week, he was restored to his position as President of Egypt - a "figurehead" President. Now the post of Premier is given back to him, and he's restored as head of the military junta, which is the real ruling power.

Mohammed Naguib, who headed the revolt that overthrew King Farouk, was accused of trying to make himself a dictator. So the army group tossed him out. But Naguib turned out to be too popular - and there was rioting in his favor. So they had to restore him as a "figure-head." The Presidency of Egypt being - largely ornamental.

But that nominal restoration of Naguib, as a sort of show business - was not enough. And today, a joint meeting was held - the Egyptian Cabinet and the military junta deliberating.

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forty Mau Mau terrorists killed in a running gunfight,
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EGYPT

In Egypt, a learned Moslem Judge handed down a decision. Ruling ^{that} it is right to steal. ~~I don't know how this would square with~~ ^{now} the Koran ~~which, as I understand,~~ provides drastic penalties for theft.

But, anyway, in Cairo - Judge Mohammed El Touni passed judgment on Abdel Hamid Mohammed Kheder, who was accused of stealing cigarettes, ~~the defendant admitted the theft~~ committed in the Suez Canal Zone, ~~Cigarettes~~ purloined from the British.

~~So the~~ Magistrate, Mohammed El Touni, gave judgment in these words: "The law was made to protect society. But," said he, "British forces occupying part of Egyptian territory are only the enemy of that society."

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CANADA

I am broadcasting from C anada tonight, for the first time in several years. Down thru the years I have spent enough time in this great dominion to realize what a vast and important nation it is. Just to come over the border and talk to Canadians and read the Canadian newspapers, is a stimulating and desirable experience for any American news man. After all, Canada so far as size is concerned, is larger than the United S tates. Today the Canadian dollar is more valuable than the dollar south of the border. And Canada is in the midst of a tremendous boom, all the way from its southern frontier - all the way up to the North Magnetic Pole, to Victorialand, Baffin Land, Elsmere Land -- almost to the North Pole.

However, the Canadian boom does not include every Canadian industry. One of the most picturesque seems about to disappear. The story of the sealing ships was

one that used to excite me. Because it was a story of storms and rugged sea-faring men -- packed with excitement. This is the season when from three to five hundred vessels used to push out from the ports of Newfoundland, - later to return loaded with seal skins - worth millions. Thirteen thousand men took part in that. But no more.

The sealing fleet has just set forth again. Five small vessels.

If my one-time Newfoundland friend, that hard-bitten old salt, Arctic Explorer Captain Bob Bartlett were still alive, he'd have some picturesque and purple remarks to make about the way times have changed.

I wonder if newspapers and commentators in the States today are playing up the round-the-world journey of Canada's Prime Minister S t. Laurent and how when he arrived in Korea he implied that sooner or later Canada probably would recognize the government of Red China? What he said was:- "We have got to be realistic."

Adding, "Sooner or later, we would be bound to recognize the government that the people want." ^{TP} Although that could be interpreted either way, one great Montreal newspaper plays it up with an eight column first page headline reading: "Will have to recognize Red China says Prime Minister." But the story beneath the headline doesn't make it nearly that strong. ^{TP} If Canada should recognize Red China what bearing would that have on Washington's attitude? It undoubtedly would make a great deal of difference.

I have been spending the day on the highest mountain in the Laurentians, glorious Mt. Tremblant, famous for its skiing. ~~and~~ ^{and} winter sports enthusiasts up here ~~in the Dominion~~ are naturally talking about the outcome of that hockey match, the one in Stockholm. In the international tournament, it ~~was~~ ^{had} looked as though the Canadian Hockey Team ~~was~~ would again win world honors. So far it had won every game, swept past all opposition, which is ^{customary for} ~~the usual way of the~~ Canadian hockey ^{teams.} ~~players do it.~~ And then, they came up

to their final match, and to the surprise of all, they were overwhelmed by a high speed team from Soviet Russia,

-- the Moscow Dynamos. Moscow winning seven to two.

The Soviets sweeping to victory in their first bid for international hockey honors! The Russians, who are fighting for a place in the limelight in all sports.

NEW HAVEN

New Haven, Connecticut, is going back - one hundred and twenty-five years. Picking up - where New Haven left off, back in the eighteen twenties. They've completed a four million dollar harbor project, enabling the port now to accommodate ocean going ships. Celebration to be held next week.

The history of ^{New Haven} ~~the city~~ has a touch of irony - the irony of the unexpected. Back in sailing ship days - New Haven was a great seaport, its harbor crowded with stately three masted ships of old. But then came a decline of navigation - and when the age of steam came in, that ^{was one} ~~harbor~~ ^{famous harbor that} ~~harbor~~ could not accommodate large ocean going vessels.

So, ~~you might think~~ ^{did} New Haven ^{go} ~~went~~ into a deep depression - with only Yale University left? Becoming - a mere college town. ^{! Actually} ~~But~~ the reverse was the case. While passing out as a seaport - New Haven was becoming a great industrial center. Flourishing more than ever - but in a different way. Factories - instead of ships.

So now, the days of old are being revived - as harbor project is completed. The port - again to be

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their surplus lions, and peacocks. Plus a guanaco they didn't need. The guanaco being a version of the South American Llama.

The Zoo did such good business at selling, that now they're in the market - for buying. They need - a baboon. There's your chance, Harry, do you happen to have an extra baboon?