

LONDON

L.T. - Deleo. Thursday, March 22, 1956.

London, today, welcomed a visitor - who arrived by air. The head of the Soviet Secret Police, ^{arriving} in Britain, to make security arrangements for Bulganin and Khrushchev. The British welcome was in two parts. One - for the ~~man~~, the other, for the plane.

No end of curiosity and interest in that aircraft. Secret police chief Ivan Serov, ^{flying to London} ~~arriving~~ in a Russian jet airliner. The first jet passenger plane - to come across the Iron Curtain to the West.

British aircraft people note at once - that it's a modified version of the Russian medium jet bomber - the T U 104. Called - the Badger. Not changed a great deal, apparently - the passenger plane still retaining a plexiglass blister, under the pilot's cabin. Another - in the tail assembly. Usual places - for gunner and bombardier.

One thing evident - that this jet airliner could be transformed, ^{easily,} ~~into a bomber,~~ with ease, back to ^a ~~the~~ war plane -

which it was to begin with.

For the Secret Police chief it's a welcome in reverse. Seldom has a visitor ever got such a hostile newspaper greeting.

The Manchester Guardian, embodiment of sedate British dignity, ran a headline today. Saying: "Serov go home."

In the Daily Mail, the headline was: "Serov the thug, here today." The Daily Mail - printing an editorial on the front page saying! "He is a thug - and looks it. He represents all that is foul and inhuman in the Russian Communist system. He is - an executioner."

Apparently they don't like Ivan Serov - and are not saying it with British under[^]statement.

The Manchester Guardian explains that Ivan Serov carried out the brutal expulsions of whole populations - exiles to Siberia. So now he has that sinister title - Chief of the Red Secret Police.

The word is that Serov is arranging to bring to Britain - a whole police force. One hundred and twenty - as a bodyguard for Bulganin and Khrushchev, when they visit Britain in April. We hear that Serov's police force will take over the Czechoslovak and Romanian embassies. For use as police stations. These are on the same private road as the Soviet Embassy, where Bulganin and Khrushchev will stop.

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Apparently the Moscow Premier and the Chief of the Russian Communist Party figure ^{think} ~~x~~ they'll need a lot of protection in London. And they may be right.

DISARMAMENT

The United States ^{has} presented a new proposal - to the disarmament conference in London. Offering to reduce American armed forces - to two-and-a-half million men. And cut armament and military expenditures - accordingly. If Soviet Russia - will do the same.

We have less than three million men under arms.

The Soviets - about four million, it is estimated. U.S. delegate Harold Stassen ^{says} ~~said~~ - the figure of two-and-a-half million might be used as a sort of "measuring stick." For all-around arms reduction.

This follows yesterday's American suggestion - to set up "practice areas" for mutual disarmament. Strips of twenty to thirty thousand square miles - to test procedures for inspection and other precautions against any surprise attack.

Last night, alas, I made a slip of speech. Talking ^{test strip or strip test} about the ~~test strip~~ idea, I said "strip tease." Most embarrassing, but maybe there can be wisdom - in the slip of

speech. Maybe the "test strip", with experimental

investigation - could be something like a "strip tease."

SOVIET ATOMIC

we learn
From Washington, ~~the statement~~ - that the Soviets are developing a "whole family" of atomic weapons. Tactical - and strategic. *Such is the* ~~That's one~~ interpretation of the news of last night *about* more atomic tests in Soviet Russia. New explosions - detected.

(Senator Jackson of Washington, a member of the Congressional atomic committee, says - it means the Russians are now developing such things as - atomic artillery shells, land mines, *and* war heads for missiles. *Russia having* ~~They've~~ advanced beyond the stage of bombs, *has now* ~~and~~ gone on - to various other types of atomic weapons. Just - as we have done.)

DULLES

Here's another brick hurled at our Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles. This one - from an unexpected source. Maybe it was a wooden shoe.

Today, Cabinet Minister M.H.A. Luns told the Netherlands Parliament that the Dutch Government was - "shocked and deeply disappointed" by a Dulles declaration - in Indonesia.

On his trip to Southern Asia, the Secretary of State made some cordial remarks to Indonesian President Soerkano. Saying - the United States is in sympathy with Indonesia, in its fight for independence.

Indonesia gained its independence, of course, from the Netherlands. And there's a quarrel, still on - over the question of Dutch New Guinea. Secretary Dulles declaring - we're neutral in that imbroglio.

Today, Cabinet Minister Luns declared - the American Secretary gave the impression that the United States favors

Indonesia, as against the Netherlands. The Dutch government - putting in a complaint to the U S Ambassador to the Hague.

I suppose that, by this time, John Foster Dulles has a good idea of what it means - to be a top flight statesman in this controversial era. Brickbats from the right and the left - and a wooden shoe thrown at him from the direction of quiet, placid Holland.

PARIS

In a Parisian courtroom, today, there was dramatic testimony - concerning high affairs of state. A sensational espionage trial - a newspaperman and three former civil servants charged with transmitting military secrets to the Reds. At the time of the Indo China War.

The witnesses include top ranking officials of State. Testimony given, today - by former Minister of Justice, Mitterand. And - former Premier Mendes-France.

The story was told - of events at a conference of the Western Big Three, meeting in London, ⁱⁿ Nineteen Fifty Four. Mitterand, who was then Minister of Justice, related - how Mendes [^]-France, then Premier, telephoned him from London. Saying - the negotiations were getting ~~nowhere~~ nowhere. Because the British and Americans had been warned - that everything they discussed with the French Premier was relayed on to the Kremlin.

At the trial today, Mendes-France added his own

testimony. Describing - a conversation with American Secretary of State John Foster Dulles. Who told him the report was - that information given to Mendes-France was passed ~~along~~ along to Red espionage. "We have," said Dulles, "been getting nasty reports from France - which tend to discredit you." To which he added: "We're convinced that these wretched reports are fabrications."

Diplomatic history revealed - at an espionage trial.

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France ~~has~~ ^s proposed - a meeting of the Big Three -
Foreign Ministers. ~~On the subject of~~ ^{To discuss} - the Israel-Arab
crisis. Foreign Minister Pineau, ~~making~~ ^{we now hear made} the suggestion to
London and Washington several days ago. ^{And}
~~From~~ ^{comes word} the State Department in Washington, ~~we hear~~ that
no decision has been made, whether to call the meeting ~~or not~~.

At the same time, the administration is considering
the ~~poss~~ possibility - of using American troops to check the
peril of war in the Middle East. Congress may be asked - for
permission. But no such request for "stand-by authority" will
be made - unless other measures for peace have ended in
failure; The moves - we are making in the U N, trying for a
reduction of Israel-Arab tension.

PALESTINE

Israel and Egypt - put in complaints to the U N Armistice Commission today. Both sides protesting - because of border incidents yesterday. Israel is charging that eleven Jewish farm hands were injured by the explosion of an Arab land mine in the Negev desert. Egypt - declaring that Israeli soldiers crossed the line along the Gaza Strip, and had a gunfight with Egyptian outposts.

CYPRUS

On the Island of Cyprus, the Governor General, Sir John Harding - has fired all Greek Cypriots on the staff at Government house. Following discovery of a time bomb - in the Governor General's bed, yesterday. The Greeks have been replaced by Turks. Turks - being pro-British.

You can hardly blame Sir John - after that bomb in his bed.

ALABAMA

In Alabama - the verdict in the trial of the negro Minister. The Reverend M.L. King charged with being - a leader in the Negro boycott of the segregated buses.

The verdict - guilty. The Judge immediately imposing sentence - a five hundred dollar fine, or one-hundred-and-forty days at hard labor. Plus 500 for court costs.

Judge Eugene Carter said he thought the twenty-seven year old Baptist preacher had, in the words of the Judge - "started a fire he couldn't stop." The boycott getting out of hand.

The clergyman will appeal. Expecting - the higher courts to reverse the decision.

There are eighty-nine other defendants. A number of them - also negro clergymen. Charged with violating - an anti-boycott law, hitherto little used. Their trial to be delayed - until there is a decision on the appeal from today's conviction.

OSCAR

It was daybreak in Rome, and film actress Anna Magnani (Mah nyah-nee) was aroused by news reporters. Telling her - how she had won the Oscar in Hollywood, last night. Academy award - as the best film actress for last year. For her performance - in "The Rose Tatoo."

Well, you know how Oscar winners usually act. Saying - how grateful they are, and how humble they feel. Everybody feels humble nowadays - on the most inappropriate occasions. But not the Italian actress in Rome.

Hearing the news, Anna Magnani broke out a bottle of pink champagne, drinking - a toast to herself - from a silver goblet.

Then, to complete her expressions of deep humility, she announced: "I want Marlon Brando to come to Rome, and bring me the Oscar."

Humility - Italian style.

MAMIE

This was heart throb day - for the First Lady of the Land. A flood of sentiment - for Mrs. Mamie Eisenhower. Tears welled in her eyes, from time to time - and she dabbed with her handkerchief. Later, she said: "It certainly did tear my heart strings."

A birthday celebration - delayed for four months. Mrs. Eisenhower, fifty-nine, back in November. The birthday party put off - because of the illness of the President.

In a hotel ballroom, the First Lady was the guest of six hundred government wives. And on all sides were - television sets. Presenting a program put on by CBS and ABC. On the screen, singers with songs that figured in the life of Mamie Eisenhower.

An old, old favorite - "Lovely Lake Geneva." Which song prompted Mrs. Eisenhower's parents to give her the middle name of - Geneva. Mamie Geneva Dowd.

Another song in the T V birthday show - "Down Among
The Sheltering ^{Palms."} ~~Palms~~ Which was one of her favorites -
when young Second Lieutenant Eisenhower came acourting, in
San Antonio.

Then the real heart throb, ~~When~~, on the screen, singer
Tony Martin - showed pictures of Mamie Eisenhower's wedding
dress. And, holding the dress, he sang: "Memories are made
of this."

All of which would melt the hardest heart. And Mamie
^{the First Lady from Denver,}
Eisenhower, has - a soft one.

KLZ (by request)

Oh yes and here's another Denver story. And now let's all sing - "Happy birthday, dear KLZ,

happy birthday to you". K L Z - being an old friend in Denver.

On March twenty second, Nineteen Twenty Two, a group of pioneers - began broadcasting programs in the ~~City~~ Mile-
- City.
High, Station KLZ was born - and has been making radio history ever since. With policies - of innovation and progress.

So now KLZ has a birthday celebration - beginning its thirty-fifth year of broadcasting. *You do the singing, Henry.*