

L. DeGaulle Mon, May 19-58,

In the old French Province of Lorraine, the country of Joan of Arc, a sign was seen in the sky, today. The "Cross of Lorraine" - high in the heavens. Symbol - of the Free French Movement, when it was led by General Charles DeGaulle in the Second World War.

All of which may sound - like an apparition. Something for what the French call - the "mistique". Not so supernatural, however, but maybe significant in a mundane way.

The "Cross of Lorraine" in the sky - a formation of jet fighters of the French Air Force. Jets - giving Air Force opinion of General DeGaulle's appearance in Paris, today.

So, what did he say - at the news conference called for an announcement of his policy? A huge crowd of reporters - jammed in a large hotel room to hear the verdict of DeGaulle.

Actually, he did little more than expand on what he had previously declared, more informally. That - he was willing to take power in France, as the head of the French government.

But - legally, not as a dictator.

This he emphasized by asking: "Do you believe that, at sixty-seven, I would begin the career of a dictator?"

Once again he backed the French in Algeria, civilians and the army there - upholding the near-insurrection they have staged against the government in Paris. The call in Algeria for DeGaulle.

"How can they help rising?" he demanded. "They are now offering a magnificent spectacle of brotherhood - that can be either a political or moral foundation for an agreement."

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DeGaulle did not make it clear - how he might be called has head of the government. But one possibility might be - for him to be summoned as Premier. Which summons would have to come from the National Assembly - if the thing were done legally, as the General says it must be.

There was a quick reply - from Communist led labor unions. Transport workers in Paris - promptly staged a demonstration strike, which lasted for a couple of hours. Communist led factory workers in Marsailles - staging a strike

as an answer to DeGaulle.

In Lorraine, however, jet fighters of the French Air Force <sup>were</sup> forming a "Cross of Lorraine" in the sky.

Prompt political response in Paris - a Cabinet meeting called for tomorrow. Premier Pflimlin - to confabulate with his Ministers on the DeGaulle declaration. The powerful Socialist Party - meeting for discussion this afternoon. Paris - quiet and expectant, under heavy military guard, following the DeGaulle news conference today.





## PRINCIPAL DEGAULLE'S STORY

The French government has clamped down censorship tonight.

In Algeria, wild enthusiasm displayed by throngs of French Colonials, when they heard of DeGaulle's declaration.

It seems - they had rented the entire hotel there to speak. The Sausage Makers - holding a convention. DeGaulle, in the past, has always held his news conferences in that same hotel. So the manufacturers of the French word of command gave the General the use of the big room. Give it Sausage Makers!



FOLLOW DE GAULLE

Now, the incongruous touch - the absurd sort of thing that often attends a solemn, historic event. General DeGaulle, today, held his momentous news conference - by courtesy of "The French National Association of Sausage Manufacturers."

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## ALGERIA

In Algeria, meanwhile - military action. At least, that's what the Tunisians claim. Declaring - that a French armored column crossed into Tunisia, and raided two outposts. The situation along the frontier called - "dangerously tense."

## PANAMA

Trouble, in Panama - but nothing anti-American this time. High school students - rioting against the Panamanian government. Because - school facilities have not been improved.

A violent affair - three thousand boys, and some girls, stoning the police. Who replied - with tear gas bombs. Two students - reported killed. In the Canal Zone, U.S. authorities closed off that area - while the trouble was raging in nearby Panama City.



## DIPLOMAT

The Soviets don't say - why they<sup>a</sup>re banning a U.S. diplomat, John ~~W~~ Baker, Jr., Second Secretary of the American Embassy in Moscow. He's new in London, on a vacation with his family. <sup>1</sup> = forbidden to return to the Russian capital. The Soviets don't explain why Second Secretary Baker has become persona non grata. But it has to do - with his attendance as a student at the Moscow University.

In London, Baker charges - that the only thing he did was make friends with Russian students. Which, apparently - makes him unwelcome to the Soviet powers-that-be.

## ROCKET

In Puerto Rico, an account of how they found the nose cone of the Jupiter missile. The nose cone - that plunged into the Atlantic Ocean a few hundred miles off San Juan, the Puerto ~~Rican~~ Rican capital.

A search - by four Navy vessels and twelve aircraft. Yet it might seem surprising - that they ever found the relatively small object on the expanse of the sea. The answer is - effective communications. *P*The Jupiter rocket - tracked all the way by radar. The searchers - given a good clue of where the nose cone would land. That part of the rocket - which came down at an enormous rate of speed from outer space ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> didn't burn up in the friction of the atmosphere. A number one factor - in the hurling of nuclear bombs by rocket.

## TRUJILLO

Word - from Trujillo, Jr. The son of the Dictator of Santo Domingo, emerging from the silences.

He's been more or less incommunicado - ever since the uproar over the sumptuous presents he gave to Hollywood actresses. Kim Novack - receiving a high priced foreign car. The same for ~~Zsa Zsa~~ Zsa Zsa Gabor, whom Trujillo also gave a fur coat. Some say - a seven thousand dollar mink, others - a seventeen thousand dollar chinchilla.

Uproar - in Washington. Members of Congress declaring - that Trujillo, Jr. has been spending a million dollars a year on high living in the U.S.A. While Santo Domingo - just gets about the same amount in foreign aid.

Trujillo, a Lieutenant General in the Dominican military establishment, has been attending the General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. On sick leave, at present - from his warlike studies.

So what does he say? He declares - he's been paying out his own money. "Every cent I've spent," General Trujillo ~~says~~



says, "has come from my own personal accounts. Not a penny," he adds, "came from the taxpayers of the United States, ~~of~~ - of the Dominican Republic."

Which, of course, would include the price of the gifts - to the movie actresses.

EISENHOWER - MONTGOMERY

At the White House, today, the word was - No. A firm negative - a determined refusal. There's one thing President Eisenhower will not do - when British Field Marshal Montgomery visits him this week. General Ike will not show Monty off El Alemein - another scene of a Civil War battle.

Last year, the two veteran soldiers were at Gettysburg, the presidential farm. Where Ike showed Monty - the far famed battlefield, where Robert E. Lee sustained - his decisive defeat. Ike - explaining the strategy, the tactics. Monty saying - that both commanders should have been sacked. The President - agreeing, more or less. Or, at least - not rebuking the blasphemy.

Sack Robert E. Lee! - The South roared with indignation at the suggestion. President Eisenhower embarrassed - having to make some sort of apology.

So, this time, he won't take Field Marshal Montgomery - say to  
~~Chancellorsville~~ Chancellorsville. Where Robert E. Lee won his most brilliant victory. Monty might, once again, make a sour remark

about the strategy of Robert E. Lee.

Which certainly would start that old Confederate  
flag - ~~was~~ a-waving!



AUTO UNION

In Detroit - negotiations <sup>have been</sup> ~~are~~ resumed between the Auto Workers Union and the "Big Three" of the motor car industry. General Motors, Ford, and Chrysler.

With the disclosure - that the Union has asked the Ford Motor Company to keep the plants going after June First, the day when its Union contract expires. Continue operations - even though the negotiators have not agreed on a new contract. The Auto Workers Union - having made the same suggestion to General Motors, last week.

The Union doesn't want a strike or any kind of shut-down -- not in these recession days.

## CARDINAL

In Rome, this afternoon, Cardinal Stritch of Chicago - was given the last rites of the Roman Catholic Church. Which is administered only to one believed - near death.

Cardinal Stritch - having suffered a massive cerebral stroke, today. Following the amputation of his right arm, several weeks ago - because of a blood clot.

The last medical report, as follows: "The Cardinal's condition is unchanged - no better, no worse."

## GENE McDONALD

In Chicago, a farewell - to two men. Or, so you might say. American industry - losing one. The world of exploration - another. The funeral - of Gene McDonald, who wrought the achievement of two men.

American industry knew him - as the head of the giant Zenith Radio Corporation. Who had gone to work as an electrician - at the age of twelve. And scored - repeated early failures. Then - went ahead and founded a company with sales of one hundred and fifty million dollars annually, during the past few years. He was an early pioneer in radio - and a strong advocate of "pay-as-you-see" TV.

Explorers knew him as the big time industrialist - who went on an expedition of Arctic exploration, Second in command to Admiral Donald MacMillan, who was with Peary on the trip leading to the conquest of the North Pole. Gene McDonald adventuring in the polar regions as Richard E. Byrd's superior officer.



Later he was a backer of exploration - financing one expedition after another. I knew him particularly - for the support he gave Explorer Carveth Welles, and Count Felix von Luckner, the Sea Devil, and Admiral MacMillan whom he admired most of all. Gene MacDonald - two men, really.

MISPLACED

Here are two misplaced items in the news today.

One, Rock 'N' Roll -- and you'd never guess where.

In the Vatican. Pope Pius the Twelfth - featured in this Rock 'N' Roll item. No, not <sup>that</sup> the Pope and the Cardinals - but ~~it~~ I'd better not go too far with this.

The news relates that the Pontiff received, in special audience - "The Platters" - a Negro Rock 'N' Roll singing team from the U.S.A., four men and a girl. <sup>Hyper-masculine</sup> ~~Reminding~~ them - that popular singers have a tremendous following; which imposes on them - a greater duty to set a good example for youth.

The dispatch adds that <sup>the</sup> ~~Pope Pius the Twelfth~~ prefers classical music like Beethoven or Verdi. Not - Rock 'N' Roll.

The second item here, tells of a baseball game - also misplaced. Played - in Katmandu, capital of the Himalayan land of Nepal. One team - local Nepalese, who just learned about hitting the ball and running the bases. The other nine, consisting of members of American Aid officials, and - priests from a Catholic missionary school in Katmandu.

Well, I'll bet one of them was Father Marshall Moran - the Jesuit we met, while filming the coronation of Nepalese King Mahendra. When we made our Cinerama feature - Search for Paradise. Father Moran of Chicago - ~~the~~ rugged kind of missionary in a strange land.

Don?

So, who won? That's the pathetic part of it.

The Nepalese beat the Americans by a score - of nine to six.

What was wrong, Father Moran, what happened?



## FROGS

Warning - from southern Florida. Look out - for strange frogs. They may be - poisonous toads from the West Indies or South America.

Today, Dr. Martin Miller, Professor of Zoology at the University of Miami, stated - that, apparently, the tropical critters had been introduced into Florida. Mrs. Gertha Wallace, a Miami housewife, reporting - that ~~big~~ a big frog jumped at her in her front yard. Her husband later killing three - brown in color and spotted with yellow warts.

Another report stating - that a dog was killed - by one of the poisonous toads.

The zoologist explains - that, actually, the toads don't attack anything. But, often enough, dogs are killed - by chewing on one. *And s-l-u-t-m.*