

CHINA

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A broadcast by radio Peking - is giving Southeast Asia an attack of the jitters. Its effect on India - can only be imagined. The Peking announcer, calling Prime Minister Nehru - "a liar, a coward, an enemy." This, after Nehru's long patient attempt - to live in peace with Mao Tse Tung.

Subject - the border dispute between India and Red China. The Communist army of occupation in Tibet - sending columns down through the Himalayas, to invade Indian soil. *of India they've seized so far,* Fifty-one thousand square miles - by the latest count.

Nehru, refusing to accept - Mao's aggression.

Pledging to ~~if~~ defend India - by force, if necessary. Mao's reply - a savage personal attack. One of the bitterest ever made by one world leader to another - in time of peace.

LEAD CONGO

Those missionaries in Elizabethville who finally managed to escape - were trapped in the battle zone for two days. A group of nineteen American Seventh Day Adventists - along with their co-workers from France, Belgium and South Africa. They were carrying on with their missionary work in Katanga - when the U N attacked. The attack, driving straight toward the mission - ~~with~~ with the defending troops of Katanga on the other side.

Soon the battle was raging - all around the mission.

The missionaries, huddled on the floor - with bullets whistling through the windows. *Along with* ~~whistling~~ the blast of mortar shells - just outside. Trying to protect themselves - behind a barricade of tables, chairs, pillows and mattresses.

They appealed for a "cease fire" long enough to get the women and children out. The appeal - ignored. Their *predicament such that* ~~situation, so dangerous~~ they decided they couldn't wait.

One group scrambled out a back window - into waiting cars.

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And they got away - despite the shooting. The rest of the missionaries were escorted through the lines - by a U N official. None of them - seriously injured.

Meanwhile, contradictory reports - from Elizabethville. The U N, said to be winning. Pushing their forces - through the city. But the airfield appears to be held by the Katanga army. The American airlift, still suspended - after being fired on.

Meanwhile the battle of charge and countercharge - continues. Premier Tshombe, accusing American planes - of dropping bombs on Katanga. Washington, calling the accusation "completely false."

There are those who blame Tshombe of Katanga - for the present fighting. But there's an opposite school of thought - with a dissenting opinion.

I've received some mail - arguing that we ought to see Tshombe for what he is. Namely - the leading

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anti-Communist in the Congo; the one Congolese who never deferred to - Red Patrice Lumumba; who never kow-towed - to the Russians, and whose people are not too much interested in what happens to other tribal people in other parts of Equatorial Africa.

The writers of these letters want us to back Tshombe - instead of the U N. To them he is not the stormy petrel; he is the hero of the Congo.

KENNEDY

One reference made by President Kennedy in his Miami Beach address - was mandatory. The reference to - Pearl Harbor. The fact that today is the twentieth anniversary - of the sneak attack by Japanese planes. So Mr. Kennedy brought up the subject by talking about "This Pearl Harbor." Meaning - the problem of defeating Communist aggression. As we defeated - Japanese aggression.

To the AFL-CIO convention, President Kennedy repeated - what he said yesterday to the National Association of Manufacturers. Emphasizing the fact that we must cooperate - with our allies abroad. Beginning ^{this} ~~ing~~ - with lower tariff rates.

The President also bearded the lion in his den - slightly. Suggesting that the men of labor ought not to push too hard - at the bargaining ~~■~~ table.

EMPLOYMENT

The latest report from the Labor Department -

~~is one that we've all been waiting for.~~ Unemployment,
dropping sharply - for the first time in a year. President
Kennedy, so ^{pleased} ~~glated by the news~~ - that he ^{gave} ~~released~~ the figures
during his address in Miami. Anticipating what the Labor
Department was going to say - later in the day.

~~Here are the facts.~~ Last ~~in~~ month we had sixty
one unemployed - for ~~in~~ every thousand workers in our labor
force. This, contrasting with sixty eight out of every
thousand - in October. An improvement of seven. At the same
time, the number of jobs rose to - sixty-seven point three
~~million.~~

Our economy, in a boom - which the administration
wants to keep going. ~~Aside the rest of us.~~

MEDAL

~~Tonight~~ Dr. Theodore Monod of France joins -
Admiral Robert Peary of the United States. What have the
scientist and the explorer - in common? Both - winners of
the Daily Medal Awarded by the American Geographical Society.

Admiral Peary, conqueror of the North Pole - first
winner back in Nineteen Two. Dr. Monod, the latest winner -
accepting his medal at ~~the~~ tonight's ^{A & S banquet} ~~dinner~~ in New York.

The citation says that Dr. Monod has established one of the
world's great scientific societies - the one he heads in
Senegal. Specializing in - the geography of Africa.

Then there's the Cullum Medal - for work in
oceanography. Winner for Nineteen Sixty One - Professor
~~MERRIS~~ Maurice Ewing of Columbia. Professor Ewing, an expert
on - the most extensive part of ~~MR~~ our planet. The floors
of the oceans - from the North Atlantic to the South Pacific.

SPIES

There are three hundred thousand Communist spies in the world - according to the F B I. Assistant Director ~~SEE~~ Sullivan telling the N A M - that these Red agents operate out of thirty-seven organizations - many of them -- in this country. Some, given the job of infiltrating into American industry -- working on classified government contracts.

(Ironically, these Communist spies often perform their ~~not~~ tasks - without doing anything illegal. One espionage agent gathered information on our seaports - by simply asking Washington to send it to him. He ordered from the government printing office - a report prepared by the U.S. Army engineers. Which is about as authentic - as any material you could find in this country.)

PEARL HARBOR

With all the celebrating and reminiscing about Pearl Harbor, on its Twentieth birthday - how about listening to one Hawaiian who did nothing but watch. There wasn't much else that Jim Ling could do - he was only four years old in Nineteen Forty One. Now a Lieutenant at Fort Dix, New Jersey - he says he remembers the Japanese attack, because it started while he was in church. The services, suddenly interrupted. The preacher, telling the congregation - to hurry home. Which little Jim King did - in his mother's arms.

He says that all along the way - he could hear the thunder of Japanese planes. The chatter - of Japanese machine guns. The roar - of Japanese bombs.

At home, he watched the drama - from his back porch. Dive bombers, hurtling down - to the attack. Pulling out near the water - except those that were hit, and plummeted into the harbor. Anti-aircraft shells - bursting like flowers in the sky. Dense columns of black smoke - towering hundreds of feet ~~me~~ into the air. And, of course, our warships -

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keeling over, blowing up, sinking.

Four year old Jim Ling of Honolulu - bewildered
by it all, little dreaming that twenty years later -
he'd be telling us all about it. December Seventh,
Nineteen Forty-One - Pearl Harbor. Today December 7,
1961, Dick, Jim Ling a lieutenant in Uncle Sam's army.

The people of Guildford, England, want their civil hall to
be called - "The Civic Hall."

NAME

Shakespeare, as you ~~are~~ know, once asked -

"What's in a name?" I imagine the citizens of Guildford,

England - consider that Shakespearean question rather

appropriate. For weeks, they've been trying to think up -

a name for their new civic hall. The city fathers - putting

it up to the people. Receiving - hundreds of suggestions.

All - carefully tabulated. Today - the winning name revealed.

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