

EGYPT

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Cairo reports what sounds like a surprising deal. Egypt and Soviet Russia to go into business as a competitor of Lloyd's of London: Egypt and the Russians to form a rival maritime insurance company. When Premier Nasser nationalized Suez, in July, Lloyds of London promptly raised insurance rates on ships traversing the canal. Reflecting a doubt about Egyptian ability to run the canal in a safe, efficient way. The Egyptians don't like that and want to get free of Lloyds, ~~that~~ ^{the} London firm/~~that~~ dominates the world of maritime insurance. In Cairo today, an authoritative source at the foreign ministry said that six Egyptian representatives will go to Moscow soon. To discuss the formation of a new company. In which all of the Iron Curtain countries will be invited to participate, financially. One point being, they'd under-cut Lloyds of London. Selling maritime insurance at a lower cost. All of which certainly might indicate Egypt veering more and more from west to east. Planning an Egyptian Communist blow at that venerable institution Lloyds of London.

SUEZ - FUNDS

The Cairo Government issued an order today restricting British funds in Egypt, in retaliation for a freezing of Egyptian funds in Britain. No money to be withdrawn by British shipping agents, which has an immediate, vital bearing on the Suez Canal situation.

Tolls for British ships passing through the waterway are normally paid by British shipping agents in Egypt. Who, now, cannot make the necessary payments. The amounts are large. Each vessel passing through the canal paying a minimum of five-hundred-and-sixty dollars for various fees.

British shipping agents in Egypt are clamoring for a release of funds for canal charges. Otherwise, British vessels will have to avoid Suez and make the long voyage around the Cape of Good Hope.

CYPRUS

Food riots on the island of Cyprus. Women, children and old men struggling in a violent uproar trying to get into a food distribution center. Last week, following an outbreak of shooting by the terrorists, the British authorities imposed a curfew on people in the city of Nicosia, the old walled section. Requiring them to remain in their homes for twenty-two hours each day. Allowed to leave during two hours. During which time they could procure food supplies. So it was during the two hour period that the trouble occurred among people trying to get into a distribution center. They were told there was food in abundance, but this could not be heard in the pandemonium until British police restored order. In London, meanwhile, the annual conference of the British Labor party adopted a resolution criticizing the government policy in Cyprus. Condemning executions carried out on the island and the exile of Archbishop Macarios. The Athens radio, meanwhile, asserts that there was a mutiny among British soldiers on Cyprus. Reservists, who were called back to the Army for service on the troubled island. This is denied in London, where the statement is no mutiny. But is admitted that some of the reservists on Cyprus are discontent. The explanation, ~~was~~ urgent personal problems.

ALGERIA

A bitter battle reported in Algeria. French troops versus Algerian rebels in the region of the Atlas Mountains. The band of insurgents estimated at ^{from} one hundred to three hundred. But they've killed nearly forty French soldiers in the last forty-eight hours of savage conflict. Having the advantage of a wild, rugged terrain. Some of the rebels disguised as French soldiers.

French authorities declare the Algerian insurgents are launching a desperate offensive. To force the French to negotiate on terms favorable to the rebels.

SHIP

A grim tragedy of the sea off the northwest coast of Holland. Where a Polish fishing trawler capsized. Today, the captain of the Andrea Doria testified that he could have avoided the collision if the Swedish had blown its whistle. The vessel, with a crew of 17 turning over. Trapping part of the crew in a huge air bubble inside the floating hull. Rescue ships, on the scene, report the trawler to be floating bottom side up. They rescued five of the crew while the other 12 remained inside the hull where they can be heard pounding frantically for help. The rescue ships reporting that they can see no way of saving the trapped fishermen. They have asked urgently, for a tug to be sent. Hoping that something can be done.

ANDREA DORIA

Today, the captain of the Andrea Doria testified that he could have avoided the collision if the Stockholm had blown its whistle to indicate that the Swedish liner was turning to the right. He said the regular signal was one short blast of a whistle. The third mate who was in command of the Stockholm, has previously testified that he did not blow the whistle because it was a clear moonlit night.

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Today, Captain *Calamai* said he picked up the Stockholm by radar at a distance of seventeen miles but he first saw the glow of the Swedish liner at a distance of little over one mile, which would indicate fog. *matter* One chief in dispute.

American Communists

The American Communist party makes a declaration of independence.

Proclaiming it's no longer dominated by Moscow. Which might sound inspiring, more or less, but it comes in a special kind of way. The subversive activities ^{the Communist} control board in Washington ruled, some while ago, ~~the~~ party must register as an agency of ^a foreign government, a tool of Soviet Russia. And they're ^a appealing to the courts against this ruling. So, today, the lawyer for the Communist party told the U. S. Court of Appeals he wants to present new evidence. Citing changes that have come about since the down-grading of Stalin. American Communists now free to criticize Moscow policies. No longer bowing humbly to the Kremlin. Declaration of independence now that the memory of Stalin is in disgrace. Of course, it might be said that this is only following the new policy at Moscow. But, then, in Communism the ways of logic are strange.

INTEGRATION

Violence, today, broke out at Beaumont, Texas, where the Lamar State College of Technology has been integrated. Negro students pushing through picket lines in taxicabs. The rear window of one taxi smashed by a bottle hurled by a woman. A white picket arrested together with a Negro taxicab driver and a Negro student, following a fracas in which the picket seized the steering wheel of a car, stopping it. One cab got through, depositing a Negro student who made his way to class in the riot bound college.

City police and Texas Rangers, thereupon cleared the campus, driving away fifty to sixty pickets.

BOOM

New figures picturing the magnitude of the business boom.

Figures given out by the Commerce and Labor Departments showing record breaking activity in the construction industry, during the first nine months of this year.

Work begun, during the January - September period, totals nearly thirty-three billion dollars. Two per cent ahead of the previous record set in the first nine months of last year. If the current building rate continues, the total for the entire year of nineteen fifty-six will come to forty-four billion, five hundred million dollars. That much in new construction.

In the figures, a prominent place is taken by government outlays. Federal funds for highways, schools, and other facilities. For example, the St. Lawrence Seaway with its heavy building. Equally prominent construction by private business, with emphasis on office buildings and warehouses. The only sign of lagging is found in housing, home building, which, nevertheless, went up to nearly twenty three billion dollars.

Other government reports, now released, show record breaking wholesale business. Nine per cent above the figures for last year.

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Sales up in coal, iron, steel, and so on. Farm supplies showing the only decline.

Vice President Nixon, today, gave President Eisenhower - a personal report on his sixteen days of political barnstorming, through 32 states. The Vice President slipped into the White House, through the back door. After which the news reporters and photographers were let in - and found Nixon and the President having a conversation about the difficulties of making speeches when you have a cold. The Vice President having had a touch of influenza and laryngitis during his exhausting trip. ^R But they talked about other matters too. The word is that Nixon recommended that the President should visit more key states, ^{to give a lift to} ~~and boost~~ Republican Senate candidates, who are in tough fights with Democrats. Tonight, the Vice President will make a public report in an unusual "news conference." A televised affair - in which he will be interviewed by newsmen in eight of the cities visited.

Ad. Stevenson had a hectic day today...his plane connections cancelled by bad weather during an appearance in West Virginia. So the Democratic nominee borrowed a small private plane, ~~flew~~ flew to Pittsburgh...and there boarded a commercial airliner for a series of sidewalk talks in New York City tonight.

BASEBALL

At the White House, the question is - how much did Jim Hagerty lose to President Eisenhower. He lost a bet as may be deduced from the following evidence. Yesterday, in Brooklyn, after attending the first game of the World Series, the President had a smile of glee, as he told the newsmen to ask the White House Secretary how he liked the game. Jim is a Yankee fan. Then, back in Washington, the President met Hagerty at a White House picture-taking session. And asked, with a smile of triumph "How do you feel, Jim?" "Not well, sir," replied Hagerty. Whereupon Presidential Assistant Sherman Adams asked the President "Did he pay you?" "I don't want to be paid," the President replied. The newsmen asked Hagerty about that, and he responded solemnly "I always pay my debts." So it's obvious that Hagerty lost the bet on the ball game to the President. How much is not known. So it's obvious that the President bet on the Brooklyn Dodgers. Might that have

political repercussions, win votes in Brooklyn but lose votes in the rest of New York City where there are said to be a number of people who are not exactly Dodger fans.

Well, the right brand of politics might be for Mr. Eisenhower to bet on the Yankees, tomorrow. The second World Series game having been washed out by the rain today. After all, he's the President of the whole United States, not just Brooklyn.

I saw White House Press Secretary Jim Hagerty - today, He seemed in high spirits. So evidently he has recovered from the shock of losing his bet with the President.

GIRL

Today, the statue of a girl was dedicated - in two different parts of the world.

The graceful figure of a lassie - set up in a village over in France - the district of Camembert. Also, at Van Wert, Ohio - home of the Borden Cheese Company. Both - honoring a young woman, who has her place in history. •

Which takes us back to the days of Napoleon, when that mighty conqueror was traveling through the old province of Normandy, stopping at a village - for a bite to eat. In the course of which a peasant girl served him a piece of cheese. Of a local variety - that she, herself, had made. Her name - Marie Harel who, at that moment, won her place in history. ^{TP} Napoleon tasted the cheese - and smacked his lips. He also smelled the cheese - which was good and ripe. The Emperor was highly pleased, and asked - what was the name of this delectable cheese. He was told it had no name. Was merely made - by Marie Harel. So Napoleon, thereupon, gave the cheese a name - calling it after the local district. Which was - Camembert. So that's how the world of epicures got - Camembert. And the local cheese makers of the district flourished in a remarkable way - and have been flourishing ever since. Thanks to the peasant girl - Marie Harel. Thirty years ago, the villagers decided - they must honor the heroine. So they put up a statue - to Marie Harel. Which, alas, was destroyed - in the second World War.

During the allied invasion of Normandy, the place was obliterated by American bombers, because of a report - that the Germans had large quantities

of ammunition stored in the village. Which report, later, turned out to be false. No ammunition in the village - only cheese. Nothing was bombed - but the Camembert. Which blew up with a tremendous perfume. The statue of Marie Harel - shattered. All of which came to the attention of a wealthy American in Paris - Welles Bosworth of Marietta, Ohio, who launched a campaign to rebuild the village. And to put up another statue. ~~Qnx~~ Other Americans joined the effort - including the Borden Cheese Company, in Ohio. The plant producing - Camembert. The employees - raising two thousand dollars, as a contribution.

In France, a contest was held among sculptors - and Maurice Lebeau won the commission to make the statue. Which was completed in due time. The original marble - going to the village in the district of Camembert. A copy sent on to the Borden Cheese Company in Ohio. The two- now dedicated. Two nations, France

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and the United States, honoring - a peasant girl who
served a piece of cheese, and thereby won favor in
the eyes of Napoleon.

Great Britain, France and the United States, plus - Norway,

Italy and Iran. A seventh member - to be appointed later,

after the organization finds out whether Pakistan, Ethiopia

and Japan decide to join. At present - they are holding a

(conference)
The ~~arrangements~~ in London have still to pass a

"test". To direct the business of trying to get the

internationalized. No selection of a day has yet been made.

Has there been any decision where the "Cheer Association" will have

its headquarters. Questions - as to timing of its meeting next

week.

of the United Nations today. He has been and France

called on the Security Council - to discuss the London

proposals. The Security Council requested - to make a

recommendation to Egypt. Urging President Nasser to cooperate

with the "Cheer Association."