

TURKEY

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At Istanbul, ancient Constantinople - effective drama, today. Something worthy of a stage play - and not unknown in that greatest of all theatres: History!

More than once, in the past ^{History tells of} the deliberation of an assembly, ~~with~~ The mob - howling outside. The French Revolution comes quickly - to mind.

Today, a conference of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. The fifteen countries - of Nato. American Secretary of State Christian Herter - among the first of the speakers. Reading to the Nato Conference - a message from President Eisenhower, which stated, among other things - that only moderate results, at best, can be expected from the forthcoming summit conference.

"We cannot reasonably anticipate - any quick or spectacular results," said the President.

While this was being recited, a medley of distant sounds could be heard - shouted slogans, yells, a general uproar. The noise - of the mob.

Three thousand students - marching on the Nato Conference, ~~with~~ ^{the} rhythmic chant - "freedom, freedom!" For the fifth day in succession - student rioting. Angry demonstrations - against the government of Premier Menderes.

The crowd - stopped by police and soldiers, who charged the students - and ~~beat~~ ^{felled} them with swinging rifle butts. More than a score - knocked into a ditch.

The demonstration - broken up. Some students - taking refuge in a mosque. The police after them - chasing them out.

Later, the band of rioters assembled in a square - in the heart of Istanbul. Apparently - planning a march on the Hilton Hotel, where Secretary Herter and most of the Nato delegates - are stopping. But that particular demonstration was quickly broken up. The students, driven away - before they got going.

Among those not present at the Nato Conference in Istanbul - ~~is~~ Turkish Premier Menderes, who is remaining in the capital, Ankara - busy. Dealing with that wave of popular discontent - which is sweeping Turkey.

KHRUSHCHEV

In London, a high ranking Communist official, a diplomat, is quoted - on the subject of the tactics Khrushchev will employ. At - the summit conference. He'll mark time - not seeking any sort of detailed agreement. Talking up - some general understanding. But - nothing specific.

Such, we hear, is the hint - given by the diplomat from behind the Iron Curtain, ~~who~~ explains - the reason for a Khrushchev policy of delay, ~~The~~ political situation - in the United States. The Soviet Premier - to wait for the new administration in Washington. Nixon, as president - or some Democrat. So he'll merely talk generalities with President Eisenhower - knowing that any further dealing will have to be with the next president.

Which, we are told, would accord ^{with} the Khrushchev belief - that time is on the side of the Soviets. Recommending - that policy of delay.

POWER COMMISSION

President Eisenhower, today, named new members of the Federal Power Commission - two of them. The appointments - marking a change of policy.

Hitherto, members of the Commission have been considered - as representing two sides of the question. The interest of the consumers - or the view of the gas and oil companies. Which the President now thinks - is not such a good arrangement. So he has abandoned it.

The two new members - representing neither the consumers nor the gas and oil business. Thomas Donegan, a former agent of the FBI - and Paul Sweeney, an attorney in the Department of Justice.

(This follows criticism of the Federal Power Commission - because of ^{private} contacts with ^a ~~the~~ lawyer who represents a pipeline company. Thomas Corcoran, ~~who was~~ prominent in the Roosevelt New Deal; Whom FDR used to call - Tommy the Cork.)

PAYOLA

At the ~~secret~~ payola hearing, today, television disc jockey Dick Clark admitted - that he acquired copyrights on one hundred and fourteen songs, Without paying anything - for most of them. Some of them valuable - while others were not. Dick Clark said he did not consider the gifts - payola.

The Committee brought out evidence that a record company gave the star disc jockey - the copyright on a song they own, So that he - would plug it into a national hit. Which he did - spinning it thirty times in three months. The record - selling nearly half a million copies. The song, "Sixteen Candles."

In later evidence, today, Clark admitted - that an airline paid him seventeen thousand dollars for plugs on his TV show. Which he called - a "rather ordinary practice" in the business.

Committee Member, Congressman Moss, declared - it was illegal. And called it - "Clarkola."

Dick, does
/Everything seems to be "ola" these days.

DARTMOOR

Now, an old English tradition. England - a land of traditional ceremony. Based on ~~an~~ old custom, quaint and curious. Sometimes - perplexing.

At the ancient city of Exeter, the Reverent Michael Newman led a pilgrimage - before the break of dawn. ~~At dawn~~
A procession of some fifty people - marching for six miles. Trudging - up to the bleak plateau of Dartmoor. Climbing - to a thousand foot summit. Where the clergyman had religious service - at sunrise.

Today, the Reverend Michael Newman was asked - the reason why. To which he replied:

"We were reviving an old custom, but no one remembers - just what it is."

Spoken - like a true Englishman, Nobody knows what it is, but it's a tradition.

CHESSMAN

Yes, the grim Chessman finale. I've held it till the end just in case you have heard it.

The tense turn of events, at the last minute - in the Chessman case, would seem to have meant little, one way or another. Chessman's lawyers late in making an ultimate appeal - to Federal Judge Louis Goodman. Asking him to halt the execution - to hear their appeal. There were only minutes to go, and Judge Goodman would have granted a delay of one hour - to hear what they had to say.

He told his secretary-to get San Quentin prison on the telephone. But she mis-dialed the number - and that lost a minute. Then, when the judge did get the prison warden on the telephone, he was told - it was too late. The pellets of cyanide were already being dropped into the solution - producing the deadly gas. And so, because of a mis-dialed telephone number, Chessman failed to get - the delay of execution.

However, it meant, apparently - a mere matter of one hour. Because one of the lawyers who made the appeal to Judge Goodman states that, after the try for a delay had failed, the judge told him - that the plea they were to have made had no merit. It would have been useless - and, after one hour, the execution would have been held.

In the concatenation of events - Caryl Chessman lost an hour.

All - a melodramatic twist. In the story - of an obscure habitual criminal. Convicted - of offenses which he - always denied. Who wrote - a best selling book. And was able to stave off execution - for twelve years.

CHESSMAN - REACTION

This morning, a crowd of some two hundred and fifty people kept a vigil - outside the gate of the San Quentin prison, protesting - against the execution. Tension increased, as the fateful hour came. But - no disturbance. Little more - than emotional statements and bitter comment.

Abroad - a universal wave of protest. Mostly on the ground - of time. The execution of Caryl Chessman - after twelve years of waiting.

But there's no comment at all from Mary Alice Shaw - one of the two young women kidnapped and subjected to vicious assault. Chessman - convicted of the crime. Mary Alice Shaw - seventeen at the time. And she has been in an insane asylum - for all those twelve years. No comment from her - she hardly ever speaks. The doctors doubt - that she'll ever recover.