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The Vice-President of the Bakers Union admits - he received sixty-one thousand dollars at a union-sponsored dinner in his honor last year. Max Kralstein, telling the committee - their figures are correct. The figures show - more than fifty-seven thousand dollars in cash. And a portrait worth over a thousand dollars. Kralstein, receiving both. And Mrs. Kralstein got sixteen hundred dollars as a gift.

Today, he testified that lots of other officials get money from their unions. Kralstein, declaring that testimonial dinners financed by the rank and file - have always been a practice. Also, gifts like automobiles - for the bosses.

But the committee charges that the Kralstein dinner was financed by a fund - squeezed from union members. The charge is that men in the baking industry were forced to buy advertisements of up to two hundred dollars - in the souvenir program of the dinner. The committee, producing affidavits from five bakers - who say they bought the ads because they

didn't want trouble with the union.

BECK

Dave Beck, head of the Teamsters Union has been refused permission to leave this country. He had wanted to attend an international labor meeting in Paris. But, under indictment on charges of income tax evasion; his request was opposed by Senator McClellan, Chairman of the Senate Investigating Sub-Committee, and today, Federal Judge Boldt handed down the decision, that Beck shall be treated like anyone else. Request to leave the country - denied.

VOYAGE

President Eisenhower thanks the Atlantic Task Force - for cutting short the training exercises in his honor. The reason - the maneuvers had to be called off - because of a real rescue mission. A Navy plane, coming down in the sea. A jet, piloted by Commander J. E. Tafft - on a routine training flight from Jacksonville, Florida. The plane developed fuel trouble - and the pilot pulled his release gadget and was catapulted out. The Navy at once began an air and sea search. The sixteen warships taking part in the training exercise - started hunting for Commander Tafft and his co-pilot. The former was picked up; on a raft - off the Georgia coast. His co-pilot, killed in the crash.

President Eisenhower in addition to a message to the co-pilot's family, thanked the Task Force for its part - as well as for playing host to him during his voyage aboard the "Saratoga." Shortly afterward, the big carrier returned to Mayport, Florida - where the President went ashore; hurrying to Washington, where at

Today's G O P meeting - the last session of a two-day conference - on strategy for the coming Congressional elections, ~~President Eisenhower~~ ^{he} delivered a ~~lecture~~ ^{talk} on general principles, ~~Mr Eisenhower~~ saying, bluntly, that he won't stand for Republicans - who try to go back on election promises.

The President repeated ~~he's~~ ^{that he is} not opposed to disagreement inside the party. But he is not satisfied with the ~~that~~ ^{that} faction within the G O P - that keeps opposing his program.

Naturally, ~~President Eisenhower~~ ^{into} referred ~~to~~ ^{to} the budget, He told his audience ~~he's~~ ^{that} just trying to fulfill the Nineteen Fifty-Six Republican platform - in asking for seventy-one billion. ~~The President~~ pointing out that the platform was approved unanimously at the G O P convention that nominated him for a second term. So he thinks ~~his~~ ^{the} party should go along with him - in carrying out that platform - including the budget.

ADD EIS FOLLOW VOYAGE

President Eisenhower had hardly finished speaking before he won a major victory in Congress. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee authorizing - more than three billion six hundred million in foreign aid for the coming year. The exact figure only about two hundred million less than Mr. Eisenhower asked for. ~~in xxxxxxxxxx~~

The vote -- twelve to three. Those voting "no" Morse of Oregon, Long of Louisiana and Langer of North Dakota. Langer a Republican. Morse and Long Democrats.

GIRARD

In Ottawa, Illinois, - Louis Girard charges that his brother is the victim of "Gestapo tactics." The brother - William Girard, the soldier in the U.S. Army, now facing trial in Japan on that charge of manslaughter; accused of killing a Japanese woman while she was gathering scrap metal on a firing range.

The soldier's family understandably don't want him tried in Japan. They think he should be brought back to this country. So today, Louis Girard, the brother, phoned from Ottawa, Illinois - to Tokyo; urging his brother to get rid of his Japanese lawyer - and the military lawyer assigned to him by Uncle Sam's Army. According to Louis Girard, the accused soldier said he would drop them both.

But a few hours later, a telegram arrived from Tokyo. Soldier William Girard, saying he is going to keep both of his lawyers. Not taking brother Louis's advice.

In Ottawa, Illinois, they think he changed his mind under pressure. That the reason for the talk about "Gestapo tactics." The Girard family claiming, that William Girard was forced to change his mind - forced to accept legal aid in Tokyo. Forced to accept trial in Japan - instead of in the United States.

FLORIDA

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The Governor of Florida vetoes a bill - that would allow public schools to be closed in times of racial antagonism. According to the bill, schools could be closed by local option in any area. The bill, naming a whole series of reasons for doing this.-- health, morals, welfare, and so on. Governor Collins calls the bill preposterous. He says it would wreck the public schools in Florida - and even the government of the State. So he vetoes the bill.

SHOOTING

The Criminal Courts Building in New York City - looked like something out of a detective novel today. A murder suspect, racing through the building, with the police shooting at him.

Frederick Hartjen, was being led away from the hearing room. Hartjen, between two detectives - when suddenly he shoved both of them aside. Hartjen, racing down the stairs into the lobby - the police after him. Guns blazing.

Hartjen got to a newsstand near one of the exits - while employees of the court - ducked for cover. The suspect was hit by a fusilade. That dropped him near that newsstand. Now in the hospital - after one of the most dramatic scenes in the history of the Manhattan Criminal Courts Building.

FINLAND

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In Helsinki, the first formal conference between Finnish and Russian leaders. Khrushchev and Bulganin, as we know, are trying to win friends and influence people in Finland. The rover boys from the Kremlin, on another international junket. This time, in the nation that Russia attacked in Nineteen thirty-nine.

Today, there were no references to the past. This meeting, strictly technical. Finland and the Soviet Union, working out another trade agreement. This, important to Finland - because a quarter of her trade is with Russia.

POLAND

Today's agreement with Poland - is intended to strengthen the leader of Polish Communism. Gomulka, hasn't broken with the Kremlin - but our government believes he's trying to keep his country independent. Gomulka, saying he wants Poland to travel along her own road to Socialism - without interference from anyone. An obvious reference - to Khrushchev and company.

Today's agreement allows Poland - fifty million dollars in aid. Our government promising - almost the same amount again - as soon as Congress decided what to do about our surplus crops.

Our State Department adds that we intend to step up trade with Poland. And we've agreed to pay for our Embassy in Warsaw - with Polish currency.

In return Gomulka agrees to settle property claims held by America. The claims, resulting from Polish nationalization - when the Reds seized everything after they came into power.

SUB STUDENTS

Communist Hungary has released those two American students - who wandered across the border from Austria. Myron Gilbert of Walterboro, South Carolina, and Warren Hair of North Augusta, South Carolina - say they just wanted to have a look across the Iron Curtain. But they went too far - and were picked up by Hungarian guards.

The guards took them to a prison in Budapest where they were held for two weeks. The two Americans were not ill-treated - but they were ~~ex~~ cross-examined nearly all the time. The Hungarian Reds, suspecting ~~that~~ them of being American spies. Finally, the Reds gave up. They couldn't get anything from Gilbert or Hair - so, today, the two Americans were ~~then~~ turned loose at the Austrian border.

STALIN

The death of Stalin is still in the headlines - in a Paris newspaper - which says it has an inside story from a top member of the Soviet Communist Party.

This Red from Moscow says Stalin summoned the members of the Presidium - in February of Nineteen Fifty-Three; including Molotov and Soviet Premier Voroshilov. At this session he told them he had a plan to exile all Russian Jews - to Concentration Camps in Central Asia. When he asked for their opinion, Molotov started to object - saying a persecution of the Jews inside the Soviet Union - would hurt the Communist movement all over the world. The story says that Molotov, had a personal motive for daring to criticize Stalin, since his own wife ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ is Jewish.

The Paris newspaper adds that Stalin was about to deal with Molotov - when suddenly Voroshilov jumped to his feet. Voroshilov, one of the oldest Bolsheviks - Stalin's Comrade during the Revolution. Refusing to

agree to Stalin's plan - Voroshilov threw his Communist party card on the table.

At that, Stalin jumped up in a rage - and, then there had a stroke, from which he never recovered.

The death of Stalin has been a mystery. Is this actually the way it happened? Will we ever know?

ISRAEL

The Premier of Israel today warned the Arab nations - that he will use force if they try to stop Israeli shipping in the Gulf of Aqaba. Ben-Gurion, referring to the waterway leading from the Red Sea to the Israeli Port of Elath. No ship owned and operated by Israel has yet sailed through the Gulf of Aqaba. But the test may come soon. An Israeli vessel, now en route from Djibouti, French Somaliland. Its destination - *the head of* ~~Elath, on~~ the Gulf of Aqaba. Ben-Gurion says the Israeli Navy will patrol the Gulf - in case the Arabs should attack the freighter.

CUBA

From Havana, more rumors about Batista's bombers ~~≠~~ blasting at Rebels hiding in the mountains. The Cuban dictator has been denying ^{any such} ~~the~~ attacks; but today's story is ~~pretty~~ specific. It tells of medium bombers taking off from an Army base - smashing at three key points in the mountains of Southeastern Cuba. These mountains, the hideout of Rebel leader Fidel Castro.

Meanwhile, Batista makes it clear he is in a fight to the finish. Speaking to leaders of the three major political parties - Batista rejected any idea of a truce. He also made it clear - he has no intention of stepping down - surrendering authority to a military junta. "We will never desert our duties," ~~said he~~ ^{was the way the Cuban} dictator put it.

WITCH DOCTOR

A dispatch from Durban, South Africa carries an old, old story in the history of Africa. A witch doctor, throwing a town into a panic - causing riot. And all over nothing.

It happened at Umbumbulu - about ten miles from Durban. A woman of ~~the~~ the town died. The witch doctor when asked what was wrong with her, went into an act with incantations and the rolling of the magic bones. Then into a trance, during which he announced - that the dead woman had been poisoned. Not only that but he named two of her neighbors as the prisoners. Whereupon angry tribesmen burned down ~~the~~ their huts, and touched off a series of fires that swept Umbumbulu.

Soon a battle was on - that lasted ~~of~~ for three days. Durban police rushed to Umbumbulu, restored order - by announcing that the woman who was supposed to ~~be~~ have been poisoned, clearly died a natural death. The witch doctor's accusation without any foundation. So tonight all is quiet in Umbumbulu.

WRIGHT

America's most celebrated architect launching a new project. Eighty-eight tomorrow, Frank Lloyd Wright, tells newsmen at Spring Green, Wisconsin, that he's starting on a billion dollar cultural center - for the King of Iraq. King Feisal, willing to put up that much money - to turn an ~~ix~~ island near his capital city - into a modern Paradise. King Feisal, to spend his billion over three years - with Frank Lloyd Wright designing a University, a Cathedral, an Opera House, and an Art Gallery. According to the architect, this cultural center will be the most beautiful thing of its kind in the world.

During today's interview, Frank Lloyd Wright said that he's happy to be working for a King - who doesn't have to worry too much about what the people think; that he's had a lot of grief working in America - because so many people don't like his kind of architecture. That

when the people put up the money in a Democracy - they want to know how it's being spent. But, it's different in Irsq. King Feisal simply decided he wanted a cultural center - designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. And presto - it's to be done. In the land of the Arabian Night. King Feisal, like Aladdin, rubs the magic oil lamp. Frank Lloyd Wright, thegenii pops out of the bottle and produces the city - by magic.

Maybe next King Feisal, like Nebuccanezzar - who lived in Babylon - near present day Baghdad, will ask Frank Lloyd Wright to rebuild that wonder of the ancient world, Henry, the Hanging Gardens of Babylon.

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ANNOUNCER: And now Lowell Thomas recalls...

L.T.: We've been hearing a lot about Britain's new strategy. The British Navy and the R.A.F. no longer Her Majesty's first line of defense, Atomic power to be all important. Which reminds me that just a year ago today, a London dispatch informed us that the British fleet would no longer use Scappa Flow! ScappaFlow - where the Germans scuttled their fleet in Nineteen Nineteen. Scappa Flow - where a German U-boat sneaked in and torpedoed a battleship in Nineteen Thirty-Nine - one of the boldest exploits of World War Two.

A year ago, Scappa Flow passed into history.

Symbolic - of the new era in the history of Naval warfare.

And so long until Monday.