

EGYPT

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Today Egypt celebrated final withdrawal of the British from the Suez Canal. Prominent at the ceremony - the new Soviet Foreign Minister, Shepilov. Who is offering - economic aid and more Red armament. At the Port Said flag raising, Shepilov told the crowd that Soviet Russia is the "Natural Ally" of Egypt.

And the crowd shouted: "Long live Russia, Egypt's friend and ally!"

An ironical, ^{possibly} ~~xxxx~~ sinister, addendum - to the British withdrawal.

CYPRUS

The British authorities on Cyprus list nineteen soldiers killed - and sixty-eight injured badly enough for hospital treatment. Casualties - of the fiery trap that closed ~~on~~ in on British troops, as they were trying to catch Cypriot guerrilla leaders. The guerrillas are believed to have set the ~~forest~~ forest fire - which swept through the dry pine woods, a blazing tempest racing at thirty miles an hour.

(Corporal Robin MacDonald of Glasgow, Scotland, says: "It came roaring down on us in one wall of flame. It leaped from tree to tree, and the whole area was popping and crackling like a million firecrackers.")

Caught in the flaming trap, the British incurred their worst mishap in the long drawn out conflict on Cyprus.

ISRAEL

The State of Israel has a new foreign minister, tonight. Mrs. Golda Myerson, a one-time Milwaukee school teacher. This was indicated in the news over the weekend - now official. Mrs. Myerson replaces Moshe Sharrett - who represented moderate policies. Disagreeing - with the more drastic ideas of Premier Ben Gurion. So the supposition is that Israel may now take a stronger line toward the ~~Arabs~~ Arab States.

U N

At the U N today, fifteen countries of the Afro-Asian bloc asked the Security Council - to take up the question of Algeria. They want a meeting on the subject - "without delay."

France, of course, is bitterly opposed, ~~to any such~~
~~thing~~ - and the belief is that today's request will not be okayed by the Security Council.

PINEAU

In Washington, French Foreign Minister Pineau conferred with Secretary of State ~~John Foster~~ Dulles - on the question of channeling foreign aid programs through the United Nations. Pineau is pressing a proposal to have the U N handle foreign aid affairs, both East and West. The secretary of State ^{is} said to be cool to the idea.

FRENCH COMMUNISTS

The French Communists, have joined the anti-Stalin parade - falling in^lline, after four months. Today, they echoed the familiar denunciation of the one-time Divinity of Communism.

But, at the same time, they criticised Khrushchev and his gang. Saying - that they had a share in the crimes of Stalin.

This is taken as a sign that the French Communist party may try to shake off the domination of the Kremlin, to some extent. The Communist party in Italy has been showing similar ~~symptoms~~ symptoms of independence.

In France, General DeGaulle says - that General Eisenhower apologized to him for an "injustice". It's known that during the Second World War, there were disagreements with the fiery leader of the Free French. And now DeGaulle, in a new volume of memoirs, declares that he and General Ike failed to agree on the part the Free French were to play in the allied invasion of France. But the two had a meeting, and General Ike told DeGaulle: "You can be sure I would not dream of entering Paris - without French troops."

Then, at the end of the conversation, Eisenhower added: "Today I recognized that I committed an injustice toward you, and I wanted to tell you so."

To which DeGaulle replied: "You're a man."

INTRODUCTION TO RECORDING

Himalayan

While I was out in Katmandu, for the/Coronation of the King of Nepal, I sent back a series of tape recordings. One of which promised - a report on Herman Holiday. So, now, here's an inquiry - what happened to it? Mrs. Helen Bradshaw of Indianapolis - wants to know.

Well, that recording, and a number of others, went astray in the intercontinental mails. I got home, and they've been following me. So ~~here~~ here's that one - which should have been on this program a couple of weeks ago.

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FOREIGN AID

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has okayed a foreign aid bill -²/_^ mounting to four billion, five-hundred million dollars. Which is only four-hundred-million dollars below President Eisenhower's original request. The President wanted a cut of six hundred million to be restored. The committee restored seven hundred million.

APPROPRIATIONS

The Senate Appropriations Committee, today - hiked the money for the Air Force. Adding - more than a billion to President Eisenhower's thirty-three billion ~~and~~ dollar military budget.

This ~~is~~ against the advice of the President. But the Democrats have been arguing ~~that~~ that we^are in danger of losing our air supremacy to Soviet Russia. So they tacked on an extra billion for the Air Force.

KENTUCKY

The new Senator from Kentucky is Joseph Leary, a political associate of Governor Happy Chandler. Named- by Chandler, to fill the vacancy created by death of the late Senator Barkley. ~~Now~~ Senator Leary will serve until the November elections.

STEEL WORKERS

The way is open for a steel strike - to begin midnight, June ~~T~~hirtieth. Today the wage-policy committee of the steel workers union authorized a walkout, Unless - the big three of the steel industry ~~in~~ increase their offer of a wage increase and other benefits. It will now be up to the union President and his fellow leaders to decide - whether or not there shall be a steel strike, which could cripple the national economy.

EISENHOWER

Vice President Nixon states that President Eisenhower will choose his own time - about making an announcement - if he makes one at all. Concerning - the Republican nomination. Whether he has changed his mind - or still stands willing to accept.

Nixon had a talk with the President in his hospital room, today, and says they didn't discuss politics at all.

QUEEN

Three new knights were created in Britain, today -
Invested with the order of the Garter. A Prime Minister,
a former Prime Minister, and a beer magnate.

At Windsor, Queen Elizabeth buckled jeweled garters
on Prime Minister Anthony Eden, former Prime Minister Clement
Attlee, and Lord Iveagh (Iver) the eighty-two year old
manufacturer of Guinness Stout.

Participating in the ceremony - another former
Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill. He, himself - a
knight of the garter, Sir Winston ^{Henry, acting} ~~acted~~ as "supporter" to
Prime Minister Eden.