

Deadlock in Paris -- the meeting of the Deputy Foreign Ministers getting nowhere, a stalemate. So announced in Paris this afternoon by a spokesman for the western powers who said that nothing has been accomplished in the attempt to arrange for a full scale meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the Big Four.

There have been eight sessions. Today's was the longest, described by the spokesman in the following words: "There is a complete deadlock; there were no new proposals, made by either side; there has been no change in position by either side."

All of which makes the prospect look bad for a full-scale conference of the Big Four, which has been talked about so much -- and which, it was hoped, might do something to ease the cold war.

## ITALY

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In Rome, the Italian government made an official apology to the United States today -- for a bomb explosion at the American Embassy. It was a crude affair, which did little damage. The Italian Foreign Office ~~XXXXXX~~ was similarly bombed and today a dud missile was thrown at the Yugoslav legation.

This puerile terrorism is now attributed to plotters, either Red or neo-fascist who are trying to revive the issue of Trieste. Notes were left with slogans pertaining to a great Adriatic harbor, which is in dispute between Italy and Jugoslavia.

# ISRAEL

The State of Israel demands reparations from Germany for the extermination of Jews by the Nazis. Today the government at Tel Aviv handed identical notes to the representatives of the United States, Great Britain, France and Soviet Russia, calling on Germany to pay one billion and five hundred million dollars, as reparations for more than six million Jews done-to-death by Hitler. The diplomatic note says the money would be used to identify the heirs of the victims and rehabilitate the survivors.

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## KOREA

3 ( The Reds are withdrawing from the battle-  
front, all across Korea, ) - Everywhere, today, the  
U N Army lost contact with the enemy except for  
a few points of rear guard resistance. American  
divisions moved cautiously across an empty belt,  
abandoned by the Communists. Seoul is outflanked and  
reports are that the Reds are fleeing from the capital  
city -- leaving it to fall without a fight, apparently.

But there is no tendency to believe that  
the Communists are giving up. They are <sup>trading space</sup> ~~retreating~~  
for time, pulling back to organize a new defense. --  
or possibly a new offensive. This is indicated  
graphically by reports from the scouts of the air,  
American pilots telling of huge Red convoys that  
are streaming southward from Manchuria to the front  
line. The Chinese Communists are pouring in  
reinforcements and supplies -- obviously intending  
to make another fight of it.

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4 were striking at the Red columns far and wide,  
smashing the lines of trucks, blowing up munitions,  
setting convoys on fire. ~~They were~~ flying in unending  
sorties against what is described as a record breaking  
movement of Red reinforcements and supplies.

## SPIES

(The spy trial in New York brought out a dramatic story today -- featuring the name of Dr. Klaus Fuchs, the top-ranking British atomic scientist convicted of Red espionage, now in prison in England. The chief witness in the New York affair is former Army Sergeant David Greenglass, who has confessed, and is testifying against three defendants, his sister, his brother-in-law, and a former classmate, implicating them in Soviet spy work.)

Today Greenglass told a story of ~~his~~ what happened last year when the news broke -- that, in England, Dr. Klaus Fuchs testified that he had turned over to Red espionage vital secrets of the atomic

bomb. (The former Army sergeant said that his brother-in-law, Julius Rosenberg, came to him and reminded him) of that atom bomb data that he handed over to a Soviet agent at Albuquerque, New Mexico. This agent was Harry Gold, who now has also confessed espionage, and is serving a thirty year prison term. Rosenberg then told Greenglass (that Harry Gold had ~~also~~ been

the Red contact man in transmitting atomic data provided by Dr. Klaus Fuchs. ) So now, since Fuchs was confessing he would probably implicate Harry Gold and Gold would be arrested, which could be dangerous for Greenglass who had also given atomic data to Gold. So, therefore, Rosenberg told Greenglass to get out of the country and go to Mexico City and contact the Soviet Embassy there -- eventually to make his way behind the Iron Curtain. For this, the brother-in-law would provide five thousand dollars -- Soviet money.

All a part of sensational testimony about the operation of a Red spy ring in this country, sending atomic secrets to Soviet Russia.

## FOLLOW SPIES

( One strange feature ~~am~~ that has appeared in the spy trial testimony is the mention of information given to the Reds about a space ship -- "a sky platform" as it is called. That is, a sort of ball suspended in outer space where it would revolve around and around like a man-made-moon.) This oddity was taken to military authorities in Washington and they state ~~that~~ that ~~ix~~ the U.S. armed forces could probably build a space ship if they wanted to, but top scientists doubt if either this country, or Soviet Russia, will actually attempt to build any such "sky platform" in a long time. Any such "satellite vehicle" would cost enormous amounts of money to construct, and ~~ixix~~ its military value would be doubtful.



## TROOPS

Two Senate Committees have just given an endorsement to the plans to send four more U S ground divisions to Europe. But they insist that Congress shall have the right to pass on any additional troop shipments across the Atlantic. These two actions amount to a partial victory and a partial defeat for President Truman, who wants to send the soldiers, and who objects to restrictions by Congress in the future.

R F C

In Washington, the Republican Policy Committee has voted for a drive to abolish the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. That agency for lending money to business is under heavy fire, and the G O P legislators think the R F C has outlived its usefulness, and should be put out of business.

At the same time, there is a charge that Republican National Chairman Guy Gabrielson has used influence in the procurement of R F C loans. The principal <sup>accusations</sup> ~~charges~~ of wire pulling have been levelled against Democrats, hitherto. But today, Congressman Wayne Hays, an Ohio Democrat, ~~stated~~ declared that the ~~Republican chairman~~ <sup>Gabrielson</sup> took a hand in getting a loan of ~~eighteen million~~ and five hundred thousand dollars for a company of which he is President, and charged a fee of a hundred thousand dollars for this. The loans were made before Gabrielson became G O P national chairman.

## REORGANIZATION

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The House of Representatives has rejected President Truman's request for emergency powers to reorganize federal agencies. The Senate has already passed a reorganization bill -- to permit the White House to juggle the functions of federal agencies during the present crisis. But the House turns that down, by a vote of two hundred and twenty seven to one hundred and sixty-seven. Many Southern Democrats voted against the administration bill.

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COSTELLO

Here's about saucers <sup>^</sup> ~~This occurs~~ in the proceedings of the Senate Crime Investigation Committee today, ~~and~~ I'm not making any quips -- because those were made by the Committee ~~xxxxx~~ itself.

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gander." Which you may or may not like, as a pun.

Senator Tobey of New Hampshire, carried on with the most obvious quip of all. "Perhaps" quoth the Senator, "He's the flying saucer."

Such were the gags in the hearing that brought mention of the possible deportation of Frank Costello, whose name is perpetually in the headlines when the news concerns gambling and the underworld.

STORE

At Walnut Creek, California, Chet Hendrick has a radio store and Chet is quite a salesman. So he put on the old high pressure, when a couple of well dressed young men came in and said they wanted to buy a television set. "The best in the house," they said. Chet seldom let's a customer slip, and he sure gave them a line. "I really gave them a sales talk on the five best models I had" <sup>days</sup> ~~said~~ he. "and" They told us they'd come back later." And they did -- the old sales talk was that good. Next day when Chet opened his radio store, he found that burglars had broken in -- and those five best television sets were missing. Chet had done a great selling job -- on a couple of robbers.



## TOWN

A revolution is on at Mendon, Michigan, a complete political overturn, which is a thing the town had never expected -- Mendon having always been run by a few local politicians, who every year nominated a non-partisan progressive ticket. ~~Politics was a dead issue, and~~ Only a few voters bothered to go to the polls -- just to legalize the election of the routine candidates.

Last month, however, a number of the local ladies got together, including wives of the town officials. They said they just wanted to "excite a little interest" in the forthcoming election. The men folks didn't pay much attention to this -- and when the election was held yesterday, few <sup>took the trouble to vote,</sup> bothered ~~to go to the polls.~~ You can guess ~~me~~ what happened. The all-woman ticket nominated by the ladies was swept into office. They elected every member of the Town Board, and Mrs. Helen Kickmott, a school teacher was chosen Village President. So that's how the revolution came to Mendon -- the women seizing power.

POSTAL CARD

At Detroit the authorities are trying to think of a way to make Stanley Skubik stop trying to make people think. They arrested him today because he mailed two hundred postal cards, which hardly seems a criminal offense. On each postal card was written the following message: "At last -- now is the time -- as per plan." What ~~that~~ means I can't guess, nor can anybody else - including Stanley himself. He says the goofy-sounding postal card message is -- "just ~~to~~ to make people think."

He's mailed a lot of similar cards -- five thousand during the past year, say the authorities. All of which creates an annoyance for the post office, the more so because the cards have a return address, which is phoney -- also funny. The return address is: "Schnoodle's Department Store." It would be interesting to meet Schnoodle and buy something at his store -- noodle, strudel, or the whole kaboodle, *Nelson.*