

PRISONERS L.P.-K. Fri. Sept. 4 - '53.

The Reds are returning more Allied prisoners than we expected. The total - above what they had promised. Today, two hundred and seventy-five Americans. Which brings the number of our troops to more than a hundred and seventy above the list of names that the Reds presented to us at the beginning of the truce. Also, five British troops - which makes sixteen above the names on that list.

There's no explanation for the increase. The Reds, just turning over more prisoners than they had promised.

A number of American pilots disclose that they were questioned about strategic points in America - cities, air fields, and radar stations. This, apparently, data for Russian files.

According to Captain Jack Perry of LaGuna Beach, California: "I was forced to draw a large picture of the city of Detroit. They also had me draw pictures of airfields where I had been stationed

throughout the United States." The Captain says he's sure that the information was handed on to the Russians. "The Russians were always there, in the background," he said. "There was no doubt what they were after."

Lieutenant Thomas Mounts of Phoenix, Arizona, was given a more ambitious test -- to draw up a plan of the Pentagon -- including the halls and the location of offices. He also got the idea that it was the Russians who wanted the information - although he was questioned by Chinese and North Koreans.

Says Lieutenant Frank Kuzmech of Gilbertville, Pennsylvania: "With me, they were after the radar nets along the northern approaches." Lieutenant Kuzmech describes the General ~~XXXXX~~ procedure: "They would sit you down, put a paper and pencil in front of you, and tell you to start drawing whatever it was they were interested in." Then he went on: "You had to stay there - until you gave them something."

How did the pilots react to this? Well, they describe themselves as producing, what they call, "Buck Rogers fantasies." According to Lieutenant Kuzmech: "They were satisfied with whatever we drew. Sometimes we would take days drawing those imaginary fields." The pilots all ~~said~~ ^{said} that the Reds got nothing from them - because much more information was available ~~in~~ ^{that can be bought anywhere.} American maps. As one officer put it, "the amazing thing is, they always seemed satisfied. They never checked ~~the~~ ^{for} accuracy, but were just ~~xx~~ ^{mere} satisfied with volume." ~~And so our men satisfied the~~
~~Reds with a lot of "Buck Rogers fantasies"~~

DEAN

Here's a story we have all been waiting for. General Dean today gave an account of how he was captured, back in July, of Nineteen Fifty. The Reds had enveloped his sector. General Dean, in his jeep, started south, racing past lines of wrecked and burning trucks, and under heavy fire. So heavy the General had to abandon his jeep and hit the dirt. Injured, and parched with thirst - he passed out. When he came to, he was all alone. The battle had moved on.

After that for a month he lived behind the enemy lines, trying to dodge through to our side. But, on August Twenty-Fifth, the Reds caught and overpowered him.

"I thought I was a pretty good wrestler" says the General "but before I could get my arms released, at least twenty of them were on me."

They tied him up, and then locked him in a tiny cubicle - hardly big enough to turn around.

Of course they questioned him for hours on end.

For sixty eight hours the first time! Relays of interpreters and interrogators. Then again for a gruelling forty-four hours. And a third time for thirty-two hours, nonstop. Enough to break any average man.

What did they want to know? All about American policy in the Far East; ~~xxx~~ about our secret weapons, naturally -- about our military plans, of course. He says he was often threatened ~~by~~ but never actually physically mistreated.

Finally when the questioning sessions ended, they started moving him from place to place -- always keeping him in solitary confinement. In June of Nineteen Fifty-two he says they began to ease up - treat him better. Giving him canned meat, butter - even cookies.

To while away the time - as you would expect a General to do - the General reviewed his defense of Tarjon, thinking of all the things he would do differently if he had to do it again. He also amused himself with mental arithmetic.

After the truce, the Reds brought him down to Kaseong - last stop on the route to freedom. And there, he says they treated him fine - "like a plutocrat."

In a lovely sylvan spot where he even had a waterfall in which he bathed three or four times a ~~day~~ day. Also a Chinese cook; and a small glass of vodka every night.

On the whole the famous prisoner General doesn't paint too somber a picture of the way he was treated during most of his three years in the hands of the Reds.

MOSSADEGH

Iran police officials reveal that the trial of Mossadegh will probably begin tomorrow, if his health permits. A special room at police headquarters - already prepared for the prosecution of the ex-Premier. He is charged, among other things, with disobeying an order from the Shah. It was when Mossadegh refused to give up the premiership that he touched off the revolution. Now, his old rival, Premier Zahedi, is putting him on trial for his life. This, the latest episode in the career of Mossadegh who closed the Anglo-Iranian oil refineries, and started Iran on the road to bankruptcy.

ADENAUER

Chancellor Adenauer proposes a deal with Russia. The West German leader, speaking before the elections which take place on Sunday. The ^{(Adenauer} ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ proposal - a non-aggression pact between the Soviet bloc and the European countries which are building a single army. This, to be followed by greater trade across the Iron Curtain. ^{JP} The Chancellor, ~~as we know~~, is primarily concerned with German unity. And according to his statement, this cannot be achieved without an understanding between East and West. Adenauer hopes to win the support of the Germans, who feel that he has forgotten German unity - that he is concentrating too much on such things as the European army, and the West European pool of coal and steel.

Adenauer also mentions Secretary of State Dulles' remarks on the German election. Our Secretary of State has said that we favor an Adenauer victory. The Chancellor's opponents declare that this is interference in German affairs. But he points out that Mr. Dulles was speaking to the American people

- and not to the Germans.

Adenauer's leading opponent is the Socialist leader, Erich Ollenhauer. He is ~~is~~ using the Dulles statement to undermine Adenauer's popularity with the Germans. So Adenauer points out the truth about what our Secretary of State said - that this country is not interfering.

The showdown between Adenauer and Ollenhauer will come on Sunday, when some twenty-five~~xxx~~ million Germans will vote for the Lower House of Parliament. The Germans will then choose between the pro-western policy of Adenauer -- and the anti-western policy of Ollenhauer.

JUIN

To be President of France means years of "drudgery". So says Marshal Juin, commander of NATO. Reporters, wondering ~~xx~~ if he has political ambitions, asked the Marshal would he like to be President of France? His answer was, no! He's not interested in a life of "drudgery." His reply actually was more contemptuous than it sounds in English - because in French the term "druggery" refers to the duties of a soldier in barracks - shining shoes, polishing brass, cleaning up the place.

But this press interview has aroused the ire of one Frenchman. President Auriol is fuming. In fact the news wire reports that President Auriol has forbidden Marshal Juin to visit the Elysee Palace again - ever. All because he gave that interview. There is no My Dear Alphonse, my dear Gaston feeling between the President and the Marshal sa matin.

TRIESTE

~~Foreign Minister~~ Tito's government protested⁵ again -
about Italian troops in Trieste. The Yugoslav
legation in Rome handing a note to the Italian
government. ~~It is~~ ^{This time} The fourth note in a week. Tito warns
that he will take action if the Italians continue to
build up their forces in the Trieste area.

~~Meanwhile, our government is described as~~
~~anxious about the Trieste dispute. Our State~~
~~Department, trying to prevent a conflict between~~
~~Italian and Yugoslav troops. Secretary of State~~
Dulles declares ^{we even may have to} ~~that we might~~ abandon the policy ~~we~~
~~laid down~~ ^{decided upon} in Nineteen Forty-eight, ~~That was~~ before
Jugoslav's break with the Kremlin. ~~We said then~~
~~when~~ we favored turning ~~all of~~ Trieste over to Italy.
~~Now, the Secretary of State indicates that we~~
~~may abandon that principle. This to prevent Italy~~
~~from causing an incident in that key territory on~~
~~the Adriatic. However, Mr. Dulles adds that our~~
~~government has not yet actually changed its policy.~~
~~We are just waiting to see how things develop there.~~

HURRICANE

That hurricane raging out in the Atlantic tonight will probably not bother you -- unless you are at sea.

— or in Berm
So says weather man Grady Norton, our top authority on tropical storms. He says this one will probably blow itself out, at sea.

Two Air Force planes have been scouting the storm. Flying at ten thousand feet, they ran into winds of over a hundred and twenty miles an hour -- which means its quite a rough storm. Already it has by-passed Florida and unless it changes its course none of us will be slapped by it - let alone hit by it head-on~~f~~.

CHANNEL

An American stenographer sets ~~the~~ ^{a new} world records for swimming the English Channel. ^{Yes, its} Florence Chadwick ^{again} - swimming from England to France in the quickest time ever. And then, swimming farther back toward England ~~than anyone else ever has.~~ ^{— but not all the way!}

^{Holmes} Miss Chadwick ~~crossed~~ crossed the Channel in fourteen hours and forty-two minutes. ~~This was~~ almost an hour better than the previous record. She stayed only four minutes on the French side. And then set out to swim back. She covered over two miles before she was forced to give up. The thing that stopped her - a school of jellyfish. ~~Here is how she~~ ^{ing} Described the ^{she says!} experience, "I swam into a shoal of big stinging jellyfish, ^{They stung me, and} which ~~badly stung my arms,~~ I was so cold, ~~that~~ the stings weakened me 'too much to go on.'"

But her return swim was also a record. No one has ever swum the channel, and then ~~returned~~ ^{and tried} ~~that~~ to swim back! ~~for~~ Miss Chadwick's records stand for both men and women. ^{As she put it} "I've given the men women. ~~In her words~~ ^{I told the menfolk I would}

~~give them something to shoot at, when it came to~~
~~swimming the English Channel today - and when I left~~
~~the water, I realized I had seen a mark that I hope~~
will stand for quite a while."

MALDIVE ISLANDS

A dispatch from Colombo, Ceylon, ^{tells of} ~~reveals~~ ^{far off romantic} ~~brand new~~ rebellion in the Maldive islands. That's the Republic

consisting of more than a hundred square miles of ~~atolls in the Indian ocean,~~ ^{between Ceylon and Zanzibar,} Until the beginning of this year, the Maldive Islands were ~~governed by~~ ^{under the protection} Ceylon. Then they became a Republic, ^{broke away,} ~~The first~~ ^{with}

^{Prince} ~~President~~ Amin Didi, a cousin of the last Sultan, ^{proclaimed the first President. Now from} ~~came~~ ^{came} ~~The Colombo~~ dispatch states that Amin Didi has

been overthrown. ~~And is now reported~~ under arrest in a coral palace -- and his place taken ~~the leader of the coup by~~ Vice-President Ibrahim

Mohammed Didi. ~~Supporting him Ibrahim Ali Didi~~ ~~former representative of the Maldive Islands in Ceylon.~~

~~Well, that's a nice collection of names to try to remember.~~ Amin Didi overthrown by Ibrahim Mohammed Didi, and Ibrahim Ali Didi.

^{The Maldives are} ~~sounds like something~~ ^{fabulous islands.} ~~The people there~~ ^{live mainly on coconuts - and fish.} ~~probably more like comic opera than like a real~~

~~Now word of revolution -~~ ~~revolution. Because they are not addicted to violence~~

^a ~~in that~~ ^{the seas. A} ~~paradise of islands in the Indian ocean. A~~ ^{coup de tat, or some} ~~They probably won't execute Amin Didi. But he's out~~ ^{archipelago} ~~in the Far off Indian Ocean.~~