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KOREA

( TONIGHT THREE DIVISIONS OF KOREAN REDS, BATTERED AND SHATTERED, ARE WITHDRAWING INTO MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS. ) THIS IS THE FORCE THAT WAS NEARLY TRAPPED BY ENCIRCLING THRUSTS ON THE CENTRAL KOREAN FRONT. THEY MANAGED TO ESCAPE THE JAWS OF THE TRAP, BUT ARE DESCRIBED AS LITTLE MORE THAN DISCORGANIZED FUGITIVES. AIR OBSERVATION TODAY SPOTTED SIXTEEN THOUSAND OF THEM, STREAMING TO TAKE REFUGE IN THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS AROUND CHANGDON, AND TWENTY SIX MILES BELOW THE THIRTY EIGHTH PARALLEL.

THE ESCAPE FROM THE TRAP SEEMS TO BE EXPLAINED BY WEATHER. ALL KOREA TODAY WAS SODDEN- THAWS OF SPRING. ( RIVERS IN FLOOD, THE BATTLEFRONT A MORASS. ) HEAVY EQUIPMENT BOGGED DOWN , TANKS WIRED IN MUD--EVEN JEEPS HAVING A HARD TIME TO GET THROUGH THE SLUSH. THAT'S THE PICTURE OF THE U N OFFENSIVE, ALMOST HALTED ON THE GROUND. YET THE U.S. SEVENTH DIVISION WAS ABLE TO ADVANCE THREE MILES TODAY . THE WHOLE EASTERN WING OF THE COMMUNIST ARMY ON THE CENTRAL FRONT IS YIELDING AND SAGGING BACK ---UNDER AIR ACTION.

MORE

OUR PLANES WERE OUT IN FORCE TODAY , HARRYING THE ENEMY ,  
KEEPING THE REDS ON THE MOVE. THINGS BADLY BOGGED  
ON THE GROUND, THE REDS WERE HIT FROM THE SKY.

- END IT -

ITALIAN COMMUNISTS

AT ROME TODAY, (THE ITALIAN COMMUNIST LEADER, TOGLIATTE  
RETURNED FROM MOSCOW, AND THE WORD IS THAT HE HAS ORDERS  
FROM STALIN TO STOP THE TITOIST MOVEMENT AMONG ITALIAN  
REDS.)

TOGLIATTI WENT TO MOSCOW TWO MONTHS AGO, OSTENSIBLY TO  
RECUPERATE AFTER A BRAIN OPERATION -- FOLLOWING INJURIES IN AN  
AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT. IN HIS ABSENCE, A REVOLT BROKE OUT IN  
THE COMMUNIST PARTY, WITH TWO RED MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT SECEDING  
AND FORMING A NEW NATIONAL COMMUNIST MOVEMENT, INDEPENDENT OF  
MOSCOW. LARGE NUMBERS OF RED LEADERS AND FOLLOWERS HAVE JOINED  
THE NEW GROUP -- PROTESTING THE MOSCOW EDICT THAT ITALIAN  
COMMUNISTS ARE TO PLACE SOVIET INTERESTS ABOVE THOSE OF THEIR  
OWN COUNTRY.

SO NOW TOGLIATTI RETURNS TO FACE THIS REBELLION, AND HIS FIRST  
JOB WILL BE TO ORGANIZE A NATIONAL COMMUNIST CONFERENCE --  
OPPOSING TITOISM.

- END IT -

LONDON

*Office*  
THE BRITISH FOREIGN TODAY CALLED THE SOVIET NOTE --JUST  
ANOTHER "PROPAGANDA OUTBURST". THEY SAY IT'S MERELY AN ATTEMPT  
TO PROMOTE A SPLIT BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES.

THE BRITISH RIDICULE THE MOSCOW CLAIM THAT THE SOVIET ARMIES  
AMOUNT TO ONLY TWO-AND-A-HALF-MILLION MEN, HALF THE ARMED MAN-  
POWER OF THE WESTERN COUNTRIES. THEY NOTE THE VITRIOLIC  
DIATRIBES IN THE LONG WORDY DOCUMENT, AND THINK ITS ALL  
MEANT FOR PROPAGANDA .

THE NOTE ENDS BY SUGGESTING THAT LONDON AND MOSCOW OPEN  
NEGOTIATIONS. BUT THE BRITISH DECLARE THERE'S NO CHANCE OF  
ANY SUCH TWO-POWER TALKS -- EXCLUDING THE UNITED STATES. WHICH  
LEAVES ALL EAST-WEST DISCUSSIONS TO THE PROPOSED FOUR-POWER  
CONFERENCE, THE MEETING OF THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF GREAT  
BRITAIN, THE UNITED STATES, FRANCE, AND SOVIET RUSSIA - IF THAT  
EVER GOES THROUGH.

- END IT -

## NAVAL HEAD

LONDON REPORTS A SORT OF COMPROMISE IN THE ARGUMENT OVER AN AMERICAN ADMIRAL NAMED TO THE COMMAND OF THE ATLANTIC TREATY FLEET. TO-DAY IN PARLIAMENT, PRIME MINISTER ATLEE STATED THAT AMERICAN ADMIRAL FECHTELER WILL HAVE THAT POST-- THE OVERALL COMMAND IN THE ATLANTIC. BUT A BRITISH ADMIRAL WILL HEAD THE NAVAL FORCES GUARDING THE APPROACHES TO EUROPE. AMERICANS WILL BE IN CHARGE OF THE WESTERN ATLANTIC, BUT NOT BRITISH HOME WATERS, THE COASTAL AREAS OF EUROPE, AND THE MEDITERRANEAN. HOWEVER, IN SUCH MATTERS AS JOINT MANEUVERS, ADMIRAL FECHTELER WILL BE IN FULL CHARGE.

ATLEE REPLIED AT SOME LENGTH TO THE PROTESTS MADE BY CONSERVATIVE LEADER WINSTON CHURCHILL, WHO SPOKE INDIGNANTLY ABOUT AN AMERICAN COMMANDING THE BRITISH FLEET ---WITH ITS ANCIENT NAVAL TRADITIONS. THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THAT EXPERIENCE IN THE SECOND WORLD WAR PROVED THE NEED OF A SUPREME COMMAND FOR THE ENTIRE AREA OF THE ATLANTIC AND THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL PROVE THE LARGEST ~~NAVAL~~ FORCE OF WARSHIPS. →

BUT A BRITISH ADMIRAL WILL HAVE THE DIRECTION IN BRITISH WATERS,  
AND THE OFFICER NAMED TO THE POST IS SIR PHILLIP VIAN NOW  
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE BRITISH HOME FLEET.

- END IT -

~~NAVY~~

THE SENATE HAS PASSED THE BILL FOR AN ATOMIC AGE NAVY, VOTING UNANIMOUSLY TODAY IN FAVOR OF THE MEASURE TO PUT UP NEARLY TWO-AND-A HALF BILLION DOLLARS FOR THE MODERNIZATION OF THE FLEET. THE PROVISIONS OF THE MEASURE WILL PERMIT THE BUILDING OF THE MUCH - DISPUTED SUPER-AIRCRAFT CARRIER--A FIFTY-SEVEN THOUSAND-TON GIANT, CAPABLE OF HANDLING ATOM BOMBERS. FLYING DECK BIG ENOUGH FOR TAKE-OFFS AND LANDINGS OF LONG RANGE PLANES CARRYING ATOMIC BOMBS.

- END IT -

DRAFT

THE ARMY ACCEPTS A COMPROMISE BILL TO DRAFT YOUTHS OF EIGHTEEN -  
AND-A-HALF ~~NINE~~ YEARS OLD. THE ORIGINAL PROPOSAL WAS  
TO TAKE THE EIGHTEEN YEAR OLDS INTO THE ARMY FOR TRAINING, BUT  
THERE WAS A LOT OF OPPOSITION, AND THE AGE LIMIT WAS HIKE  
BY SIX MONTHS, IN A COMPROMISE. THIS WAS ACCEPTED TODAY BY  
GENERAL OMAR BRADLEY, CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF -  
WHO SAID HE WAS GIVING HIS OKAY, RELUCTANTLY.

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TAXES

<sup>here in</sup>  
WORD ~~IS~~ WASHINGTON IS THAT THE PRESIDENT'S TEN BILLION DOLLAR  
TAX INCREASE BILL WILL NOT GO THROUGH UNTIL FALL -- AND THERE WONT  
BE ANY TAX HIKE UNTIL THEN. THE REPUBLICANS IN CONGRESS  
BLAME THE WHITE HOUSE, WHILE CONGRESSIONAL DEMOCRATS EXPLAIN  
THAT THE WHOLE TAX AFFAIR IS SO COMPLEX, IT SIMPLY CANNOT BE  
HURRIED.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN WANTS THE INCREASES TO MADE RETROACTIVE--  
APPLYING TO ALL INCOME EARNED AFTER JANUARY FIRST OF THIS YEAR,  
BUT CONGRESSIONAL OBSERVERS BELIEVE THERE IS NO CHANCE OF THAT,  
SAYING THAT THE HIKE, PUT THROUGH IN THE FALL, MIGHT BE MADE  
RETRO-ACTIVE TO JULY FIRST. CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS ARE ON  
RIGHT NOW, AND THEY ARE MAKING SLOW PROGRESS.

- END IT -

CONTEMPT

*More news from here at*

~~FROM~~ WASHINGTON -- THE VERDICT IN THE CASE OF JULIUS ENSPAK  
SECRETARY -- TREASURER OF THE LEFT-WING ELECTRICAL WORKERS  
UNION. FOUND GUILTY OF CONTEMPT OF CONGRESS, WHEN HE REFUSED  
TO ANSWER THE SIXTY-FOUR DOLLAR QUESTION -- ABOUT BEING A  
COMMUNIST.

THE TRIAL WAS BEFORE FEDERAL JUDGE F DICKINSON-LETTS, WHO  
RECENTLY DISMISSED CONTEMPT CHARGES AGAINST A GAMBLER, ALSO A  
CASE OF REFUSING TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ASKED BY A CONGRESSIONAL  
COMMITTEE. HE SAID THE GAMBLER HAD THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ON  
CONSTITUTIONAL GROUNDS OF SELF-INCRIMINATION, BECAUSE HE MIGHT  
BE SENT TO JAIL -- IF HE ANSWERED ABOUT GAMBLING. BUT ENSPAK  
WAS IN NO DANGER OF GOING TO JAIL -- IF HE ADMITTED HE WAS A  
COMMUNIST. HENCE -- GUILTY OF CONTEMPT OF CONGRESS.

♪ END IT ♪

PUERTO RICAN

OSCAR COLLAZO WENT ON TRIAL IN WASHINGTON TODAY, FOR THE MURDER OF A WHITE HOUSE GUARD --- IN THE ATTEMPT TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT TRUMAN. PROCEEDINGS BEGAN WITH THE SELECTION OF A JURY, WHICH TOOK UP MOST OF THE DAY. THE PUERTO RICAN TERRORIST APPEARED TO BE CALM - FACING AS HE DOES, A POSSIBLE DEATH PENALTY.

- END IT -

FLYING SAUCERS.

THE FLYING SAUCER MYSTERY WILL NOT BE SUPPRESSED. TODAY A STATEMENT WAS MADE THAT THE EXPLANATION GIVEN BY THE NAVY DOES NOT TELL THE WHOLE STORY. MORE TO THE SOARING DISCS THAN RESEARCH BALLOONS.

WE HAVE THIS FROM A SCIENTIST FORMERLY WITH THE AIR FORCE, DR. ANTHONY MIRARCHI, WHO UNTIL RECENTLY HAD THE FOLLOWING LONG TITLE -- CHIEF OF THE BUREAU OF ATMOSPHERIC COMPOSITION OF THE GEOPHYSICAL RESEARCH DIVISION OF THE U.S. AIR FORCE. *That must have been quite a job, at any rate he says*

HE INVESTIGATED THREE HUNDRED FLYING SAUCER REPORTS FOR THE AIR FORCE, AND HIS CONCLUSIONS DO NOT JIBE WITH THE NAVY EXPLANATION -- THAT THE DISCS WERE BIG PLASTIC BALLOONS, SENT TO GREAT HEIGHTS IN THE STUDY OF COSMIC RAYS. THERE'S MORE TO IT THAN THAT, SAYS THE FORMER AIR FORCE EXPERT.

"THE RESULTS OF OUR INVESTIGATION," HE DECLARED, "INDICATE THAT WE CANNOT EXCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE SO-CALLED FLYING SAUCER IS THE RESULT OF EXPERIMENTS BY A POTENTIAL ENEMY OF THE UNITED STATES." SO HE RECOMMENDS THAT A SYSTEM OF OBSERVATION POSTS BE ESTABLISHED, EQUIPPED WITH RADAR TO SPOT WHAT MAY ACTUALLY BE GUIDED MISSILES OF SOME SORT.

- END IT -

MUSSOLINI

IN NEWYORK THERE'S A PACKET OF THREE HUNDRED LOVE LETTERS,  
WRITTEN TO A WOMAN BY ONE OF THE HISTORIC FIGURES OF OUR TIME--  
MUSSOLINI. THEY DATE BACK TO THE YEARS BETWEEN NINETEEN  
NINETEEN AND NINETEEN TWENTY--EIGHT, WHEN THE FASCIST LEADER  
WAS RISING TO POWER, AND RULING ITALY AS THE BLACK SHIRTS  
DICTATOR. THE WOMAN, MARGHERITA SARFATTI, WHOSE NAME WAS  
OFTEN LINKED WITH MUSSOLINI'S IN THOSE DAYS.

THEY PICTURE THE ITALIAN DUCE AS A VIOLENT SENTIMENTALIST  
FANCYING HIMSELF AS A ROMANCER, JEALOUS, EGOTISTICAL. MUSSOLINI  
WRITING ABOUT HIS OWN LOOKS, SAID HE RESEMBLED A FINE WORK OF  
JAPANESE SCULPTURE. HE LIKED THAT BIT OF VANITY SO WELL THAT  
SOMETIMES HE'D SIGN HIMSELF - "YOUR JAPANESE"

EQUALLY CURIOUS IS THE WAY THE LETTERS GOT TO THIS COUNTRY  
THEY ARE IN THE POSSESSION OF DR. I D SHORELL, A PLASTIC  
SURGEON OF MIAMI BEACH FLORIDA, WHO OBTAINED THEM IN ITALY TWO  
YEARS AGO FROM MARGHERITA SARFATTI, HERSELF. SHE IS NOW  
SIXTY-FIVE, AND HE PERFORMED A FACE LIFTING OPERATION ON HER --  
THE LOVE LETTERS OF MUSSOLINI BEING PART PAYMENT FOR THE  
BEAUTIFYING SURGERY. THEY'LL BE PUBLISHED HERE -- THEN  
GIVEN BACK. ALL REPRESENTING ONE OF THOSE ODD TWISTS IN  
WHICH HISTORY ABOUNDS - END IT -

## COCK FIGHT

AT LAKE ORION, MICHIGAN, THE POLICE HAVE MADE WHOLESALE ARRESTS IN A SPECTACULAR AFFAIR OF SPORT, THAT ANCIENT, NOW FORBIDDEN, SPORT-COCK FIGHTING. EIGHTY - SIX PEOPLE LOCKED UP, INCLUDING TWO TOP-FLIGHT BASEBALL PLAYERS OF FORMER YEARS, THE BROTHERS GERALD AND HARVEY WALKER, WHO WERE STARS ON THE DETROIT TIGERS.

THIS FOLLOWS A POLICE RAID ON A BARN, WHICH WAS FITTED OUT AS AN ELABORATE ARENA--COMPLETE WITH BLEACHERS, OVERHEAD LIGHTS SCORE CARDS AND A LUNCH COUNTER. ALSO -- A PIT FOR THE FIGHTING CHICKENS.

TODAY GERALD WALKER MADE NO PRETENSE ABOUT IT. THE FORMER OUTFIELDER OF THE DETROIT TIGERS TOLD REPORTERS THAT HE OWNED AND TRAINED FIFTY BATTLING ROOSTERS. "IT'S MY FAVORITE SPORT," HE REMARKED.

AFTER WHICH HE PHILOSOPHIZED IN THE FOLLOWING TERMS. "I CANNOT UNDERSTAND" SAID THE ONE TIME BALL-PLAYER, "WHY THEY WILL PERMIT TWO MEN TO TRY TO KILL EACH OTHER IN A PRIZE FIGHT RING, BUT THEY WON'T PERMIT TWO BIRDS, RAISED FOR THE SPORT, TO FIGHT."

MORE

COCKFIGHT SHEET 2

WHICH LINE OF REASONING HAS LITTLE APPEAL FOR THE POLICE AND  
THE LOCAL HUMANE SOCIETY-- WHO HAVE CLOSED THE ROOSTER FIGHT  
ARENA, AFTER ARRESTING THE OPERATOR AND CUSTOMERS, EIGHTY-SIX  
IN ALL.

(END IT)

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CHILD

IN FLORIDA , A GIANT SEARCH--- WITH A HAPPY ENDING. YESTERDAY  
TWO YEAR OLD JIMMY HOWARD, WANDERED INTO THE SWAMPS NEAR  
OCHOPEE, AND WAS LOST FOR TWENTY FOUR HOURS, IN A MARSHLAND  
TEEMING WITH SNAKES, ALLIGATORS, WILD CATS AND PANTHERS. A  
SEARCH PARTY OF A HUNDRED AND FIFTY TRAPPED WEARILY THROUGH  
THE WILDERNESS , HUNTING HOURAFTER HOUR, THEN , TODAY,  
PAUL WOOD, A TWENTY YEAR OLD EX-G.I. VIRTUALLY FELL OVER JIMMY,  
AS THE LITTLE LAD SAT WEARILY IN A THICKET OF GRASS. JIMMY  
SAID : "WHERE'S MY DADDY ? " HE WAS SOON IN THE ARMS OF  
HIS PARENTS, FRANTIC WITH JOY

END IT .



LION

THE PET LION THAT HAS BEEN IN THE NEWS ARRIVED AT HIS NEW HOME TODAY--COLUMBUS, OHIO. "FEARLESS FAGAN," WHOSE OWNER WAS DRAFTED IN THE ARMY AND DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH HIS PET. FLOYD HURMESTON WAS TAKEN OFF FOR BASIC TRAINING --- AND THE LION WAS QUITE A PROBLEM, UNTIL ACCEPTED BY THE MILLS BROTHERS CIRCUS, WINTERING AT COLUMBUS.

THE KING OF BEATS MADE THE TRIP FROM LOS ANGELES IN A BAGGAGE CAR, AND EVERYTHING WAS OKAY -- EXCEPT THE LION ATTACKED A MAIL SACK, RIPPED IT TO PIECES AND CLAWED THROUGH ONE HUNDRED COPIES OF THE SEATTLE TIMES INSIDE THE SACK.

MAYBE HE WAS TRYING TO READ THE PAPER. ANYWAY, IT WAS BAD FOR THAT MAIL EDITION OF THE <sup>Seattle</sup> TIMES.

END IT

**MOOSE**

AT FALMOUTH MAINE, THREE BOYS HAVE A NEW PET, AND A BIG ONE---  
A SEVEN HUNDRED POUND MOOSE.  
THEY WERE OUT ROAMING WHEN THEY CAME UPON THE PUNDEROUS  
ANIMAL OF THE NORTH, A COW. WE'VE ALL HEARD ABOUT THE  
FURY OF THE BULL MOOSE, BUT THE COW WAS AS MILD AS A BARNYARD  
BOSSEY-- PERMITTING THE THREE BOYS TO PET HER. SO THEY  
HAD A GRAND OLD TIME, ALTHOUGH THERE WAS ONE SLIGHT EXCITEMENT.  
"WE HAD FUN WITH HER," SAYS THIRTEEN YEAR OLD DONALD, "UNTIL  
SHE CHASED ME UP A TREE".

ANOTHER BOY CALLED HIS FARMER FATHER, WHO SIMPLY WALKED UP  
WITH A ROPE AND TIED IT AROUND THE NECK OF THE MOOSE. "SHE  
DIDN'T TAKE TO THE HALTER AT FIRST," SAYS THE FARMER, "BUT BY  
THE TIME I GOT HER OUT TO THE ROAD SHE WAS LEADING LIKE AN  
OLD COW." THEY PUT HER IN A BARN--WHERE, TODAY, THE THREE  
BOYS HAD A SEVEN HUNDRED POUND MOOSE FOR A PET.

END IT