

Substitute POLIO.

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The Surgeon General, Leonard Scheele, stated today that all but one of the polio vaccines under investigation have ^{now} been proven safe. The exception - that produced by the Cutter Laboratories of Berkeley, California. In the case of the Cutter vaccine, ^{Surgeon General} Scheele declared that there was what he termed "strong presumptive evidence" that the shots caused fifty-six children to get the crippling illness. ^{But that} No other vaccine has lead to polio.

The Surgeon General told newsmen he could not say just when the mass-innoculation program would begin again. That decision, to be made later in the week.

The whole problem is under study at the Washington Conference of Government and Medical Experts. One of the chief issues - an Administration Plan to increase the safety standards of the inoculations. But some vaccine manufacturers call the proposal - fantastic, impractical, and say it would virtually kill the whole polio program.

POSTAL

President Eisenhower wins a ~~major~~ victory. ~~in Congress.~~

The Senate, voting to sustain his veto of ^{the} a bill to raise the pay of half a million postal workers.

The bill, ~~was~~ sponsored by Democrats, ~~and~~ passed ~~through~~ Congress. But ^{Pres.} ~~the~~ Eisenhower said it was unfair, and ~~too expensive~~ so he vetoed it.

Now the Senate sustains ^{his} ~~that~~ ~~was~~ veto. The vote, fifty-four ^{to} ~~against the veto,~~ and thirty-nine. ~~for it~~ ~~the~~ ~~vote being~~ eight less than the necessary two-thirds majority.

So the presidential veto stands.

~~This was~~ The first ~~direct~~ test of strength between the White House and the Eighty-Fourth Congress. The debate was ~~very~~ ~~is~~ bitter, and along partisan lines. Senator Olin Johnston of South Carolina said that the issue was whether Congress was going to submit to domination by the President. And Senator Mike Monroney of Oklahoma added that the real question was whether Postmaster General Somerfield should have his way.

The Republicans lined up in favor of the White House.

Senator Frank Carlson of Kansas spoke for them all, when he called on the Senate to "stop shadow-boxing" and pass a bill the President could sign.

Then came the vote, sustaining ^{Pres.} ~~Mr.~~ Eisenhower. *But*

The postal employees are sure to get a raise. ^{A new} ~~because the~~
bill will be presented.
~~President wants them to have one too. But he thinks it should~~
~~be closer to eight per cent than to the eight and eight-tenths~~
~~per cent provided for in the ~~bill~~ bill he vetoed.~~

GERMANY

President Eisenhower is absolutely opposed to the idea of a neutral Germany. So said Secretary of State Dulles - today - at his news conference.

He was asked about the Presidents' remark last week in favour of "neutrallized states" - between East and West. Shortly afterward, the German Ambassador ~~xxxx~~ asked the Secretary of State whether the President ~~ixixix~~ intended to include West Germany.

So today, Secretary Dulles made the reply that President Eisenhower is not for a neutralized West Germany - or a unified German republic. Also that there is no analogy between Austria and Germany. That is a tiny nation - will benefit from cutting its ties with both sides. But that it's completely unrealistic to talk of neutrality - for a Germany a nation with seventy million people.

So President Eisenhower's position looks like ^{this.} /

according to Secretary of State Dulles - the President would
like to see a neutral buffer between East and West, but he
doesn't want Germany to be part of ^{that} ~~its~~ *buffer zone.*

Secretary Dulles, ~~was also~~ asked about a big four
meeting, ~~He~~ said ~~that~~ he expects to discuss ^{this} ~~the question~~ with
the Foreign Ministers of Britain, France and Russia - when he
meets them in San Francisco next month. ^{— when they attend} ~~They'll all be on hand~~
~~to help celebrate~~ ^{celebration of the birth} the Tenth Anniversary of the United Nations -
founded in San Francisco in June of Nineteen Forty-Five.

ITALY

Today the Italian government told the Russians to mind their own business. An official statement from the Rome government, replying to Soviet warnings about standing with the West. Pravda, saying that if the American forces now in Austria are reassigned to Italy - that could create a ~~very~~ dangerous situation for the Italians.

The note handed out by the Scelba government, retorts that the Pravda attack is "offensive propaganda." The Italians repeat that they intend to stand with the West no matter what happens - meaning that Italy does not intend to be drawn into a "neutral zone" in the fashion of Austria.

The Italian note does agree ~~that~~ with Pravda on one point - that relations between Russia and Italy are not satisfactory. But the Scelba government points out that the fault lies with Moscow - and with the Italian Communist Party.

ALGERIA

The situation in Algeria ^{grows more and more ominous.} ~~is getting worse~~. The Moslem

holy month of Ramadan, ending in a burst of terrorist violence.

In one place, ^{the rebels} ~~they~~ attacked a garrison with grenades and machine guns - and French troops had to be rushed up to drive them off. In other places they continued their sabotage - dynamiting railroads, cutting telephone lines, tearing up vineyards, and burning farms.

Six French paratroopers have escaped from a rebel camp in the mountains - after being held prisoners for three months. These paratroopers report that the rebels are well armed - and prepared for a long guerrilla war against the French.

In Germany, Allied leaders are disturbed by a suggestion that France will pull a division of troops out of Germany - for use in North Africa. However, General Gruenther has not received any formal request for the division - and no Nato forces can be moved without his permission.

YEMEN

Yemen, as you may ~~or may not~~ recall, is an independent country in Southwest Arabia, on the Red Sea, just north of Aden; ~~and just~~ south of the Holy City of Mecca, which is in Saudi Arabia. From Yemen, in the past few years, have come ~~a number of~~ ^{intrigue and} stories of violence ~~that are~~ reminiscent of the Middle Ages. In fact, Yemen ~~is a country~~ ^{is} still ~~living~~ in the Middle Ages. Not many Westerners have ever been there. ~~So, it remains something~~ of a land of mystery, ~~reminiscent of the days~~ ^{right at} of the ARABIAN NIGHTS. ~~Y~~ Yemen is in the news again, because word has just come that millions of dollars from that country were sent over here, ~~by~~ ^{secretly} members of the Royal family, ~~and~~ ^{and} deposited in American banks. ~~and~~ The present Government, ~~of Yemen~~ ^{at Sanaa} has served notice that it intends to try and recover those millions.

At last I have succeeded in getting a rather clear, connected story of the latest trouble in Yemen.

This was rounded up for me by the young American explorer, Wendell Phillips, author of the best-selling book, "Qataban and Sheba," who has just learned that he ^{himself} will be beheaded if he ventures into that country again. The last time he was there, he and the members of his expedition made a narrow escape, and were forced to leave behind several hundred thousand dollars worth of equipment when they fled. But now, the story, as he tells it:-

Prior to World War I the Turks claimed Yemen as a part of the Ottoman Empire. Then, in Nineteen Fifteen, a tribal leader by the name of Yah Yah, regarded as a Holy man and Imam, led a revolt against the Turks. From then on, Imam Yah Yah was the ruler. His capital, the city of Sanaa, high up in the mountains. ^R But in Nineteen Forty-eight the news wires brought us a brief story of how the Imam Yah Yah, at the age of eighty-four, was assassinated, betrayed by one of his trusted advisors

named Abdullah Wazir. Twelve bullets ^{moving down} ~~were too much for~~

^{the} Imam Yah Yah. And his two-year-old grandson died in his arms.

The assassin Abdullah Wazir then proclaimed himself Imam. But his reign lasted only twenty-eight days. One of ~~the~~ Imam's sons, Achmed, was Governor of the city of ^{Maiz} Maiz, in Southern Yemen. When he learned of what had happened, he raised the tribes and, accompanied by his brother Abbas, led them north. They sacked ~~the~~ capital city of Sanaa, captured and beheaded Abdullah Wazir, who had murdered their father, and mounted his head on a post in front of the palace.

Whereupon the Imam's son, Achmed, ascended the throne. That was in Nineteen Forty-eight.

Then, a few weeks ago came the word of another revolt in Yemen, this one led by Prince Abdullah, another son of the Imam, fairly well known in this country.

He not only had been a Minister of Foreign Affairs, but he had also served as Yemen Ambassador to the United Nations.

It all gets ^{even more} ~~very~~ complicated at this point, because, in the revolt he led, his partner was none other than his brother Abbas, who had put the other brother, Achmed, on the throne. Now ~~here were~~ ^{were} these two conspiring against Achmed, whom they besieged in ^{the} ~~his~~ palace at ~~T~~ ^{Haiz}. For five days it looked as though they were going to win.

But the beleaguered ruler, Achmed, succeeded in getting gold out to the tribesmen, ^{enough} to encourage them to help him. And the two brothers besieging ~~T~~ ^{Haiz}, had forgotten all about Achmed's thirty-year old son, Mohammed Bedir. This young man, in desperation, to help his father, secretly went before some of the more powerful ~~tribes~~ tribes, implored them to come to the aid of their ruler, ^{In fact} ~~and~~ young Mohammed Bedir even humbled himself by taking ^{off} ~~off~~ his turban and his

jambiah, the curved gold sword, and threw them at the feet of the tribesmen, a thing seldom done by a Prince. It meant he was placing himself entirely in their hands and at their feet.

In this way he succeeded in stirring them up to a frenzy. Whereupon they swept down on ^Thaiz the other day, and freed ~~the~~ besieged King Achmed, and captured his brothers, Abdullah and Abbas.

Since then, King Achmed has beheaded more than thirty of the leaders of the revolt, including his two brothers who led it. ~~The~~ ^{the} greatest indignity of all -- he beheaded them in a standing position, not allowing them to kneel. And in South Arabia that is the most ^{awful} ~~tragic~~ way ~~of all~~ to end your life, to have your head removed while you are standing. The Imam, himself, is reported to have ~~wielded~~ ^{wielded} the sword.

And now echoes of this are to be heard all the way over on this side of the world. The beheaded brothers had apparently sent millions of dollars to this country, which Imam Achmed is trying to ~~xxxx~~ retrieve.

MOUNTAINEERS

A dispatch from Fort William, Scotland, tells of tragedy on the famous Scottish mountain, Ben Nevis. Two American students at Edinburgh University - found dead in the bottom of a gulley, after they were caught in a blizzard. Bert Woodburn, of San Gabriel, California, and Frederick Hadden of Pasadena, left their rooming house in Edinburgh on Saturday. They drove to Fort William, where they spent the night. And then on Sunday they began to climb Ben Nevis. The two Americans were last seen on "Tower Ridge" - a cliff on the side of the mountain. Then a blizzard swept across Ben Nevis - and nothing more was heard from Woodburn and Hadden.

A rescue team set out to look for them. And today, the bodies of the two Americans were found at the bottom of "Tower Ridge." ~~They were~~ Still lashed together, - ~~and~~ ^{they} apparently ^{falling} were blown off the mountain; ~~and fell~~ five hundred feet. ~~They were~~ killed instantly.

MARRIAGES

The U.S. Army in Austria issued a solemn warning today: - all American soldiers who are planning to marry Austrian girls, had better apply for permission before June Fifteenth. The warning is part of the liquidation of our commitments in Austria. All of our troops, to be out of that country within ninety days after the Treaty is ratified. So that leaves our soldiers with June Fifteenth as the deadline - after that, they'll have to leave the girls behind. — *the girl I left behind.*

At the same time, the Army announces that it will sell thousands and thousands of tons of surplus equipment - including motor vehicles, refrigerators, tent canvas, and coal. Austrian business men are invited to bid for the equipment.

In other words, the Army is ^{*trying to wind things*} ~~clearing up everything it~~
^{*up*} ~~has~~ in Austria. ^{*all*} ~~its~~ surplus goods ^{*to*} ~~will~~ be sold; ^{*the boys*} ~~and its~~
~~soldiers married~~ — *if it's that way — then,* ~~then the troops will be pulled back,~~
possibly ~~into~~ Italy, or maybe home.

HOUSEWIFE

That talkative housewife from Poughkeepsie, New York - is not going to be punished after all. Mrs. Mary Kayes, who refused to get off her party line, even though a fire warden told her he wanted to report a fire. As a result of Mrs. Kayes' refusal, a shed and a barn burned down.

Last week, a jury found Mrs. Kayes guilty. So, would she get a year in jail, and a five hundred dollar fine?

Today, wise Judge John Schwartz said he believes the barn would have burned down anyhow - even if Mrs. Kayes had gotten off the party line. The judge adding, that she is obviously sorry about her role. So, Hugh, the judge's verdict is - a suspended sentence, and no fine. Oh wise Judge Schwartz!