

EISENHOWER.

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(Lake Placid Club)

Another Eisenhower - Taft conference is announced. The President - elect and the Senator to have a meeting tomorrow - together with other G. O. P. leaders. All in the interest of party harmony - good relations between the Republican President and the Republican Congress.

This will be the first meeting of the two ~~one~~^{one} time rivals for the nomination. Since Taft issued that stinging criticism of the Eisenhower nomination of Martin Durkin, Democrat of the A . F. of L., as the new Secretary of Labor. Since then, Eisenhower forces have been backing Taft for the post of Republican leader in the Senate - which he is due to get in a caucus on Saturday.

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TAFT.-HARTLEY LAW.

The Taft Hartley law wins a test in court - the first challenge of the eighty - day no-strike provision. A Federal court at Buffalo, New York, rules - that the no-strike provision is constitutional.

The case at issue was a threatened strike of steel workers, at Dunkirk, New York, the American Locomotive Company. The government got out an injunction to restrain the strike for the eighty day period. The C. I. O. went to court charging - unconstitutional. *The e. i. o. loses - but*
~~But loses out.~~ An appeal will be taken all the way to the Supreme Court, ~~says the C. I. O.~~

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Senator Joe. McCarthy was awarded a string of decorations today. But they had nothing to do with denunciations of Communism -- for which he is best known. The Marine Corps presented to him a Distinguished Flying Cross, and an Air Medal with four stars, and there were six citations.

All of which goes back to nineteen-forty-three -- forty four, when McCarthy was a Marine Corps Captain. The citations praised him for "Heroism and extraordinary achievement," in one combat flight after another. He made thirty in all -- part of the time the rear man in two - seater dive bombers, attacking the Japanese installations in the Solomon Islands.

The awards were signed by President Truman, no admirer of McCarthy. Later, the Senator stated that he had asked the Marines to withhold these honors -- until after the November elections. He didn't want them to be presented during the political campaign -- might look as if the Leathernecks were interfering with politics.

COMMUNISTS - UN

From Washington, the statement that there were official attempts to prevent the release of a New York Grand Jury report -- bitterly denouncing Communists in the U.N.

The Grand Jury foreman, James P. Kelly, told a judiciary sub-committee of the House that he was informed that Secretary of State Dean Acheson did not want the report to be handed down. Also, that Attorney General McGranery tried to bring about a delay. But the Grand Jury refused, fearing that the scathing document would be pigeon-holed.

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NUNN MAYN

Over in England, Dr. Alan Nunn May was released from prison today. The first atomic scientist to be convicted of Red espionage - he was sentenced to ten years. In prison, a model convict, Time off for good behavior. Released - after serving six years and eight months.

He was let out of the Wakefield Prison in circumstances of complete secrecy, and his whereabouts are unknown. Some supposition is that he may now cooperate with the British Governement - although, while confessing espionage, he never expressed any repentence, at least not publicly.

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EISLER.

In East Germany, the downfall seems complete - for Gerhart Eisler, the Communist who jumped bail in the United States, and got away. At that time, several years ago, Eisler was given an enthusiastic welcome behind the Iron Curtain, and placed in high office. But, since then, he has been slipping - now hitting the bottom, apparently.

He has been ousted from his post as propaganda chief of the Soviet Zone. An East German announcement states that his propaganda office has been - abolished. Previously, he had been thrown out of the Central Committee of the East German Communist party.

Officially, he is accused of scoring a failure as a propagandist. His troubles - culminating with the Slansky trial in Czechoslovakia. Like the former big - time Reds who were hanged for Zionism, Eisler is a Jew - which makes him a mark for the wave of anti-semitism behind the Iron Curtain. He's charged with having had close ties with Slansky - and the belief is that his downfall, as announced today, will be followed by his arrest and trial, in another of those Communist purge trials.

WATERFRONT.

The investigation of racketeering along the New York - New Jersey waterfront brought an uproar in a courtroom today. The central figure -- Mayor John V. Kenney of ~~New~~ Jersey ^{City}, whose name has been mentioned in connection with underworld characters. There had been previous efforts to get Mayor Kenny to testify concerning crime conditions along the docks -- and, today, he was present at a hearing. But it all ended in a noisy break-up.

The hearing was at Newark, held by the New Jersey Law enforcement Council. Which is following up leads produced by Governor Dewey's crime commission in New York. Waterfront affairs on both sides of the Hudson River -- being closely connected.

Mayor Kenny had promised to give what he called -- "Explosive" testimony. But, before he began, his lawyer demanded that he, as the Mayor's attorney, be permitted to introduce witnesses and evidence. He insisted on the right to question witnesses put on

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the stand by the Law Enforcement Council. And -- wanted the privilege of objecting to questions the Council might ask of Kenny.

Whereupon the Chairman, Clarence Case, replied sharply:

"This is a hearing, not a trial. There is no defendant here -- Kenny is a witness."

But the lawyer insisted he should have the rights of an attorney at a trial -- and, when that was refused, he told the New Jersey ^{city} Mayor not to testify.

Three times in a row, the Chairman directed Kenny to give evidence. But the Mayor wouldn't budge from his chair. He sat there -- silent. ~~and~~ ^{all} of which was accompanied by loud argument between the Chairman and the lawyer.

Nobody was getting anywhere, and an adjournment was called -- the Council declaring that it would go to court, and take legal measures to make Kenny testify.

ADD WATERFRONT:

Meanwhile A .F.L. President, George Meany, says that his organization is unable to clean up the waterfront. In his words, "The A.F. of L. is neither a police force, nor an army." He thinks that the responsibility lies with the authorities in New York and New Jersey.

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CHESS

There's a new disturbance in the world of sports. This time - the game of chess. The controversy is international. The trouble - Communism. The Soviets are up to some peculiar tricks again.

All this emanates from the Manhattan chess club in New York, now celebrating its own seventy-fifth anniversary. The President of the Club, Alexander Bisno, has just returned from abroad, and reports that Moscow is maneuvering to get control of the International Chess Federation.

Here's ~~an example of Moscow~~ ^{the Red} technique! - In a recent tournament to pick challengers for the championship - the five Russian entries took the first five places. The way they operated making it virtually - a sure thing. Against competitors from other countries, the five Russians were out to win. But, when they played against each other, they scored only draws - no Russian beating another Russian. They'd agree to a draw in as few as fifteen moves. Chess games can be shorter - but not much.

In that way, they made sure of not knocking each other out - while trying to knock everybody else right out of the competition.

There's to be still another tournament, in which top ~~MAmerican~~ chess master Samuel Reshevsky has been invited to compete. But, at the Manhattan Chess Club, he says he won't go. Nobody would have a chance against the Soviet players, with their tactics of - ganging up.

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CARDINAL.

The Roman Catholic Church has - an Indian Cardinal. The first native of Hindustan ~~to~~ ever to be elevated to the Sacred College. Archbishop Gracias, of Bombay -- named ^{today by the} ~~by~~ Pope, ~~Plus the twelfth,~~
~~today~~

This follows the nomination of twenty-four new Cardinals, announced a month ago -- one of the designates having died in the meantime, the aged patriarch of Venice. His place now taken -- by the Archbishop of Bombay.

There is, already, a Chinese Cardinal. So now, the College of Cardinals includes two natives of the Orient.

DE VALERA.

(The Premier of Ireland, Eamon De Valera, reports that his eyesight has been saved - total blindness averted for the time being. This, in an announcement he made today at Amsterdam - where, for months, he has been under - going treatment.)

He states that, for years, his vision has been bad - and then, last August, it was discovered that the retina of the eye had become partly detached. So he went to a famous eye hospital in Holland, where he spent a long time in darkness. Now, he says, the retina is completely reattached - eyesight restored. But De Valera adds - that it will be some time before he can attend to public duties.

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ENIWETOK.

Uproar at Eniwetok - and it wasn't an atomic explosion. ^{This time} ~~there~~ a typhoon. ^R A tremendous howler of the Pacific hit that atoll of the Mid-Pacific, where the great atomic tests are held. Some five hundred ^{men} ~~people~~ are stationed there, taking care of installations and scientific paraphernalia for the experiments.

No serious casualties, but plenty of damage. Not only was Eniwetok lashed by the fury of typhoon winds, but most of the island was buried under water. The atoll is only six to thirteen feet above sea level, and the big wind pushed the water of the ocean in a deluge over everything but the highest points of the land. The atomic personnel taking refuge there - and in upper parts of the atomic structures.

The burst of an ^{Atom} ~~atom~~ bomb ~~was~~ ~~just~~ ~~a~~ ~~second~~ ~~class~~ ~~after~~ ~~the~~ ~~typhoon~~ ~~and~~ ~~the~~ ~~deluge~~ ~~aftermath,~~ ^{is just a} ~~second~~ ~~class~~ ~~aftermath,~~ ^{spectacle compared with a typhoon and the deluge} ~~aftermath,~~

THIEVES

At Omaha, ^{a case} ~~was just about the worst case on record~~
of wholesale vandalism by youngsters. That's the verdict
- after a crazy carnival of mail robbery.

Over the weekend, a gang of juvenile thieves
ranged through the ^{Office} ~~business~~ building of the Pillsbury
Mills. They looted mail boxes - by using fish-lines
and hooks. They got some cash, enclosed in letters, but
mostly - checks.

The Pillsbury Mills had mailed fifty thousand
dollars in checks - and, thus far, twenty-nine thousand
dollars worth have been recovered. The young thieves
having discarded them, after opening the letters. They
tossed the checks hither and yon. Thousands of dollars
worth - found, for example, in the courtyard of the
building, thrown into trash containers.

Tough luck for the Pillsbury Mills. They don't
lose any money directly - but they'll have ^{quite a task} ~~quite a task~~
~~bookkeeping job~~, straightening out accounts, and getting
the checks back in the mail. All because a gang of young
rogues invaded a building, and went fishing in the mail
boxes.

LONDON.

A strange sight was seen in London today, and people gazed in amazement. At Trafalger Square they have a series of fountains, with streams of water tumbling down into circular bowls - and one of these went haywire. The water, splashing down, didn't behave as water should. Instead, it foamed with great, cloudy masses of white. The Ministry of Works dispatched experts to the scene. They smelled the foam - rather familiar. They sent some of it to a laboratory to make sure. The answer was - yes. Soap-suds.

During the night, ^{Nelson,} some London prankster poured a lot of soap flakes into the fountain at Trafalger Square. The water pouring down, sumbling and splashing - did the rest.

ON AGORA STAGE WITH LT

1. S. Herman Macy -- Secretary of Club
- ~~2. Moreau Hunt - Headmaster, Northwood School~~
- ~~3. Dr. Nicholas Balunin - Arctic Geologist~~
4. John Watt - Manager of Club
5. Oscar Haug - veteran ski official who will run the
Sno Birds jumping meet on New Year's Day
6. Godfrey Dewey - the man who brought the 1932
Olympics to Lake Placid
7. Vaughan Monroe - crowned King and Queen of Winter
in the Areana Saturday
8. Abdul Ghafur Sheikh
9. Benno Rybiska
- ~~10. Stan Benham - leaves for Germany soon to race
in the world's Championship Bobsled races~~
11. Art Devlin - member of the 1952 U.S. Olympic ski
jumping team
12. Mr. Hicks - grand-daddy of skiing

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(Music Room - Forest)