

BRITAIN

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A shake-up of the British Cabinet - following the landslide election victory of the Conservatives. Prime Minister Macmillan - streamlining his Ministry. Some Cabinet members - out. Others - transferred.

No change in the most important posts. Selwyn Lloyd - staying on as Foreign Secretary.

Two new Cabinet posts have been ^{(filled.} ~~created~~ Ministry of Aviation - to which Duncan Sandys has been transferred. He's a son-in-law of Sir Winston Churchill. A Ministry of Scientific Affairs - given to Lord Hailsham, who was Campaign Manager for the Conservatives in the election.

LAOS

There's a report - on what the U.N. investigating committee found out in Laos. The fact-finding team - that made an inquiry into charges concerning the Communist rebellion in that south Asian country. ~~Laotian statements - that the outbreak was instigated and aided by the Reds of northern Viet Nam~~

The Committee, we hear, found evidence - that the Red campaign in Laos has been directed by Chinese Communists. Its actual commander - Marshal Peng Teh-Huai, operating - from a base in the nearby ^{Chinese} Province of Yunann.

On the other hand, the fact finders discovered no evidence - that the Communists of Northern Viet Nam had sent any of their troops into Laos, no invasion.

This news emanates from Tokyo - based, supposedly, on a report which will be made by the U.N. Committee, ~~one~~ ^{who} ~~member of which is Japanese~~ ^{returned to} ~~recently come back to~~ Tokyo.

CONGO

A weird outbreak - in the Belgian Congo. By members of a sect - of jungle religion. Devotees - of witchcraft. The name of the cult - Ngunza. Which, in the Congo language means - tremble. They call themselves - "tremblers." Shaken - by fear of witchcraft.

At the town of Matadi, the Ngunza Tremblers - in a series of ~~unlabeled~~ outbreaks. The Belgian authorities - clamping on a curfew. Which, last night - was defied by the fanatics of witchcraft. Resulting in a battle - in which six of the members of the Ngunza sect were killed. The police - firing into a raging mob.

The Belgian Congo, like other parts of Africa - restless, disturbed. The more so - because of weird ~~superstitions~~ superstitions of the equatorial forest.

MEXICAN PRESIDENT

Sagacious words - uttered by President Adolf Lopez Mateos of Mexico, today, ^{man} ~~Addressing~~ ^{at the U. N.} ~~the United Nations in~~ ~~New York.~~ The Mexican President - speaking to the General Assembly on the subject of peace.

"All conflicts," he said, "are susceptible of peaceful settlement. We must not consider peace as unattainable or utopian. Peace is and must be possible - simply because we cannot do without it."

Which may sound even more impressive in resonant Spanish.

EISENHOWER

"Old-fashioned" - is the way the news dispatch describes President Eisenhower's birthday celebration, this evening. A quiet family dinner - at the White House, ~~With~~ a huge birthday cake - from Texas.

But there was nothing old-fashioned about the doings of the sixty-nine year old President earlier,

~~Eisenhower's doing earlier~~ in the day - when he traveled from his old home town, ~~Abilene~~ Abilene, Kansas, to Washington.

Flying halfway across the country - by jet. Making the trip -

from Abilene to Washington
in two hours and nineteen Minutes!

STRIKE

The Fact Finding Board in the steel strike - asked President Eisenhower, today, for an extension of time. Wanting ^{days} three ^{more} - to make a report. The President had required them to hand in their findings - by midnight Friday. So now they said - make it Monday. And the President - has granted the request.

They hope - to be able to report some sign of progress by then in settling the strike. (~~Professor George Taylor, Chairman of the three-man board - calling a special meeting of representatives of the Steel Companies and the Union. For further talks - on Sunday.~~)

The report they turn in is to determine - whether or not President Eisenhower will seek an injunction under the Taft-Hartley Law. To send the steel workers back to their jobs - for an eighty-day period.)

CALIFORNIA

In southern California - a brush and forest fire.

All the worse, tonight - because of the weather. Abnormally warm - with temperatures in the nineties. ^{And} ~~was~~ a dry hot gale - blowing from the desert. Sweeping - the fire along.

In the Los Angeles national forest, to the north of the City of the Angels, eighteen hundred acres, scorched and blackened. With pine trees and eucalyptus - flaming up suddenly, like blazing torches.

(~~A thousand fire fighters - trying to check the flames, which have been threatening expensive homes. One already burned out.~~)

TRIAL

One of the strangest of witnesses - testifying in a murder ~~xxx~~ trial, today. A six year old girl - on the witness stand.

Her father on trial - for the murder of her mother, five months ago. But little Nancy Hanson doesn't know it. She doesn't know the charge against her father, or that her mother is dead.

In a Chicago courtroom today, the defense attorney began by asking her: "Do you know what happens to little girls who don't tell the truth?"

"Yes, God punishes them," replied Nancy.

Then answering simple questions, the six year old girl told how she found her mother lying on a bed. Then - how her father telephoned, and she answered.

The childish testimony of the telephone call - tending to support his defense, an alibi. Claiming that he was no where near the place at the time of the crime.
The prosecution challenges the testimony - of so young a child.

VAN DOREN

Charles Van Doren ^{→ a whiz} ~~was~~ in a quiz. But - not so good at answering questions today. At a news conference - jam packed with reporters ^{who were} primed - with more questions than all the quiz shows put together.

Van Doren repeated - that he hadn't been trying to evade a subpoena from the Congressional investigators. (He had simply gone up to NewEngland - to seek "solace" in the beauties of nature. (Then, when he learned he was wanted, he came back to New York - to receive the subpoena. Which was handed him - today.)

The barrage of questions - concerned the fixing of the quiz shows. Van Doren - refusing to answer. Explaining - that he'd have nothing to say until he testifies in Washington, November Second. He said - it wouldn't be proper for him to talk, until then.

QUIZ

The newest ^{figure} in the quiz show scandal - ~~comes from~~ a clergyman in Tennessee. The Reverend Stoney Jackson. Who won - sixteen thousand dollars on the Sixty-Four Dollar Question. And four thousand dollars on the Six ^{ty-}Four Thousand Dollar Challenge.

Was he given the answers in advance? Not at all.

The Reverend Stoney Jackson today stating - that it was much more subtle. He tells how there would be a warm-up rehearsal - at which ~~he'd be~~ ^{he'd be} asked a lot of questions. Such - as might be asked in the quiz. Then, in the television performance, they'd ask him some of those questions, which he could answer.

"They never told me," he relates, "what they were going to ask me on the show. They just asked me about fifty questions beforehand. And, if I missed fifteen, they'd never ask me one of the fifteen. I never got a question that I hadn't answered already," says the Reverend Stoney Jackson.

So that's the way ^{they say} it went - until they wanted to get rid of ^{him. How did they do it?} ~~him~~ Easy! "They knew the questions I couldn't answer," says he.

QUIZ - 2

Another quiz winner spoke up today - Dr. Joyce

Brothers, a good looking blonde, who's a psychologist. She says

she was never coached in any way - winning a hundred and

thirty-four thousand dollars - ~~For~~ answering questions - on the

subject of boxing. *Whatever happened to petite*

Joyce, Dick.

POLICE

Let's give the San Francisco police - an "I" for Ingenuity. The way - they got the evidence against a bookmaking establishment.

They were all set - ready to raid the place. Which was doing a wholesale business - taking bets on the horses. But ^{they} ~~they~~ were in a quandary, ~~knowing~~ - that the doors were heavily barricaded. They'd have to smash their way in - and, by the time they did, the bookmakers would simply destroy the evidence. The records - listing the bets. They'd have plenty of time ~~to~~ *to* ~~for that~~ *burn them or otherwise get rid of them.*

So what did the cops do? Well, a policeman put in a phone call to the bookmaking establishment. Saying - he was a friend, giving them a tip. Warning them - that the place would soon be raided.

Then, all the police had to do was wait - until the boss bookmaker came running out, ~~with~~ a satchel - full of records. ~~So~~ They ^W ~~g~~abbed him - and the evidence.

Proving - that flat feet can be accompanied by sharp wits.