

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

New Delhi, capital of Hindu India, ⁱⁿ the grip of terror tonight -- the city a scene of rioting, arson bloodshed, and death. And tonight the skies of New Delhi are lit by the fires of blazing buildings started by fanatic Hindus in their hunt for fellow citizens who happen to be Moslems.

Hindu and Sikh mobs are ranging the city, driving terrified Moslems from their hiding places. And there have been battles with rifles and sub-machine guns between attacking Hindus and Moslems defending their barricaded homes.

At sundown, New Delhi was ringed in flames, fires raging through blocks of small Moslem shops and houses - lighting the city as though it were daytime.

Earlier today at least fifty Moslem men, women, and children were literally put to the sword by a band of Sikhs. These Sikhs swooped down upon the passengers

of a train about to leave for Lahore, principal city of the Punjab. Fifty or more Moslems cut down by bearded Sikhs carrying their traditional huge swords, three or four feet in length. And while the slaughter went on, Hindu police stood idly by.

In Pakistan, in Darachi, capital of the newly founded Moslem state, there it's the other way round. We hear that Moslem refugees from the Hindu part of the Punjab have burst into the Karachi railroad station killing sixteen Hindus and Sikhs.

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In New Delhi, tonight, the Emergency Committee of the Indian Cabinet is meeting, with Viscount Mountbatten or is he an Earl now --? presiding.

At any rate the Council has decided upon several measures: One, a decree that any person caught in an act of violence -- looting, burning, or killing -- will be shot on sight.

Meanwhile, Frenzied mobs rule New Delhi, and Karachi, twin capitals of the New India.

PLOT

In Paris, the French Minister of Justice has made a formal charge against Rabbi Korff of New York and eight other ~~people~~ ^{and} arrested, accused of being members of the Stern Gang. The charge against them is possessing reading matter harmful to the French state, and, materials for making bombs. In other words, they are accused of being either responsible for or implicated in the Jewish plot to bomb London.

Rabbi Korff is furious, says he is going on a hunger strike, will not touch a morsel of food until the French let him out of jail. He ~~was~~ ^{is} also furious against ~~the~~ ^{an} American flyer, Reginald Gilbert, ~~called~~ ^{ing} him a squealer. Korff said to reporters that they could tell the American people that Korff and his mob have lost a battle, but will win ultimate victory.

If the Rabbi carries out his threat to fast until he is released, he may have a long time between meals. If the French jury finds him guilty of possessing pamphlets harmful to the French state, he can get a prison sentence of six months to five years. As for possessing bomb materials, that is

good for a twenty year sentence.

The French police report that although they found those materials in the possession of Korff and his mates, the bombs had not been assembled. The other prisoners refused to answer any questions, except that they were working to obtain the freedom of Jews and the liberation of Palestine.

The United States proposals for the partition of Palestine into Arab and Jewish states, received a violent No today from the Higher Committee of the Arab States. ^P This was in response to the publication of the full text of the ^{report of the} Palestine Committee of the United Nations. [↑] The Arab statement was couched in acid terms. It included ^{with} the words, "Arabs shall never allow a Jewish state to be established in one inch of Palestine." And it added: "Not a single Jew will be allowed to migrate to Palestine."

The ^{Arabs} announced further that the only solution acceptable to them would be a declaration of the independence of Palestine as a democratic Arab sovereign state.

JEWS

There was a turbulent scene at Hamburg today when British Tommies ^{were ordered to} ~~had the awkward job of~~ ^{se} ~~removing~~ several hundred Jewish refugees ^{from} ~~off~~ the ship ^{that} ~~which~~ brought them from France, Exodus 1947.¹ Some seven hundred went ashore peacefully, but in one of the holds of the vessel the leaders had been holding a council of war and planning a resistance. Suddenly, they started singing Jewish national songs, and for twenty minutes not a soul moved to leave the ship.

So a company of military police and a company of soldiers were drawn up in one of the enclosures on the pier and a detail of the British Sixth Airborne started up the gangplank. At the same time, two huge moveable freight cranes were mobilized, ready for action on either side of the gangplank. One by one the resisters were carried ashore, screaming, weeping, kicking and twisting. Some of them held their heads as though they had been beaten, but American ~~newspapermen~~ newspapermen who were watching did not see a single British soldier using his truncheon. Actually, only some thirty of the

Jews resisted, and a few women. After they had been removed, the last few hundred refugees went ashore without trouble.

But as the train moved off, screams of abuse, mostly in Yiddish, were hurled at the British ^{— also} ~~the~~ food that the Red Cross workers had given them, Red Cross and other refugee organizations. Inside the train, a group of young Jews seized two-gallon cans of coffee and milk and dumped them out on the platform. On the pier, Red Cross workers offered food to the Jewish children, waiting to be put on a train. But teen age Jewish lads forbade them to touch the food. ^π The Jews called the British "dirty Fascists" and other similar names, and ~~even~~ threw their food at the British soldiers. ^π The train took them to a camp eight miles outside of Luebec. ~~After the first transport was unloaded, the second was towed into the docks at~~
Hamburg.

^{today—}
There were mass meetings, all over the Holy Land, protests against the landing of those Jewish refugees at Hamburg, with, as expected, fiery speeches.

LABOR SKATE

Uncle Sam's Department of Justice today arrested the head of an American Federation of Labor union, ^{and} charged him with being affiliated with an organization which teaches the ~~overthrow~~ overthrow of the government of the United States by force and violence. In other words, Michael J. Obermeier, President of the New York local of the Hotel and Club Employees' Union, is accused of being a Communist. ^{Dept. of Justice} ~~Dept.~~ officials announced that this was part of a drive to deport alien born Communists who are active in the American labor movement.

The Department also reopened proceedings against a man calling himself John Santo, original name Hammer, who came from Hungary to become International Director of Organization for the C.I.O. ~~Workers~~ Transport Workers Union. He too is charged with being connected with an organization which advocates the overthrow of our government by force.

Uncle Sam's Navy tonight announces the success of a somewhat sensational experiment. (They took the great aircraft carrier MIDWAY out to sea, ~~she~~^{the Midway being} one of the two biggest in the world, with a ^{great} launching platform for ~~rockets~~^{rockets}. ~~aboard her~~. Some distance off the Atlantic coast, they fired a captured German V-2, a missile weighing twenty-six thousand pounds. The rocket sped on its way for some six miles, then exploded in the air.) After that, the MIDWAY went through normal flight operations, just to show that it could be done.

The importance of the success of this experiment is that it shows that rockets of great size can be fired from surface men-o-war without any such modifications in the construction of the ship as would interfere with flight operations. Read Admiral Gallery, Assistant Chief of Naval Operations for Guided Missiles, ^{ya} ~~said~~[^] this event marks the beginning of a new era in naval weapons.

TRUMAN

In the presidential absence, Senator Taft of Ohio indicates that there is one point on which Mr. Truman and the Republican leaders of Congress are not at loggerheads. That is, on the issue of a special session of Congress next month. Taft agrees with the White House advisers that there is no reason for a special session; certainly no reason for a special session on domestic affairs. As for the foreign situation, Taft explains that it will be October 15th before a complete report on the European conference is available, likewise the report of Secretary of Commerce Averill Harriman on the available resources of this country. After which it will be necessary for the Committee on Foreign Relief to meet and deliberate carefully -- and then probably be ready to report in January.

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President Truman is taking it easy today, in his suite aboard the fifty-five thousand ton battleship MISSOURI, the historic vessel on board of which the

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capitulation of Japan was ceremoniously accepted. And he probably needs the rest after six days of entertaining and being entertained in Brazil.

The crew of the Missouri has been laughing about the President's headgear, a yachting cap bearing six stars! The gift of yachtsmen of Washington; and Mr. Truman explains that it's particularly useful on this trip because with this he outranks his Chief-of-Staff, Fleet Admiral Leahy, who is a five-star Admiral.

And that's all for our five-star final tonight -- I mean after your Clyde!

KENNEY

General ~~George~~ Kenney, Commander of Strategic ^{ow7} Air Forces, ^{has just} returned to the United States from a ^{long} month tour of American air installations around the world. And his message is: ~~We~~ must strengthen our Alaskan and other Arctic defenses or face the danger of trans-polar attack.

Kenney told newsmen ^{upon} ~~immediately after~~ his arrival: "Alaska is wide open to attack. And once an aggressor held a base there, it would take a lot of air power and more than a few land divisions to get Alaska back."

Kenney's command consists in B-Twenty-Nine's -- those powerful bombers which helped bring Japan to her knees. And the General plans to base his B-Twenty-Nine's in far northern fields from now on -- in Alaska, and in Semya, Amchitka, and Attu in the Aleutians.

It's the General's opinion that push-button and long-range rocket warfare is still far in the future.

Meanwhile he wants his planes ready -- just in case.

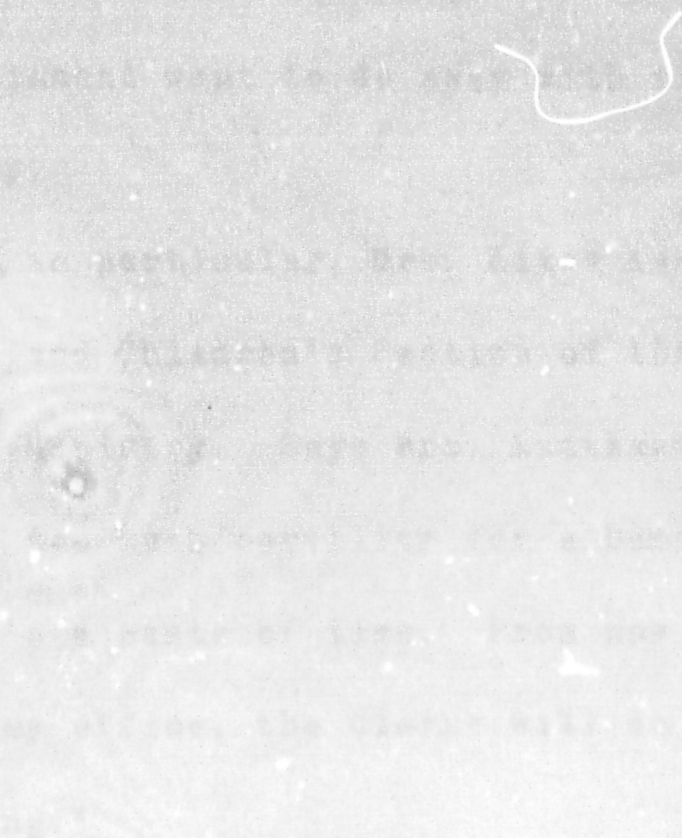
He puts it this way: - "If you have eleven hundred planes and the other fellow has only a thousand, he will not attack you."

LOTTERY

For several years Congressman Sabath of Illinois has boosting ^{for} been ~~advocating~~ a national lottery, to reduce the national debt, much to the horror of the pious. Sabath, who is Dean of the House of Representatives, renewed his proposal today, on the grounds that there never was a more natural time for Congress to take action. ~~And he~~ ^{which he} proposes that the Treasury ~~should~~ conduct the lottery, ~~and~~ ^{estimates that it} would bring in some three ^{to} million dollars a year, even after handing out huge prizes to ^{many} ~~the~~ winners. ~~In this way, said he, the customers could be assured of its honesty.~~ ^{TP} It is a natural tendency of most Americans, ^{Congressman} ~~declared Representative~~ Sabath, to gamble. The time is ripe, he added ^S, in view of the fantastic size of our national debt, and the growing demands upon Uncle Sam for help to other countries.

ADD RENT

In Savannah, Georgia, a seventy-three year old woman is taking a leaf from Ganghi. She has begun a fast which, she vows, will be a fast to death, because she is a landlady and cannot collect enough rent to live on. Mrs. Boyer -- that's her name - frankly compares herself to Gandhi. She says the rent control officers allow her only thirty-five dollars and fifty cents a month for the property she owns -- not enough to pay her expenses for mortgage payments, interest, water rates, insurance and taxes.



WOMEN

Just as an example, for hundreds of years, the Japs have been bowing to each other, bowing from the waist, their backs held rigid. It took years of careful tutoring to produce an acceptable bow. And the bow became an institution in Japan, expecially in the Government. No meeting of Government officials complete withou the opening and closing bows. And when the officials arrived and departed, rows of Japanese clerks and secretaries lined up to bow down. When the Emperor went forth, everybody bowed.

Well, some of the ladies taking their seats in the new Japanese Parliament want to do away with that ancient ceremony of bowing.

There's one, in particular, Mrs. Kikue Kamakawa, head of the Women and Children's Section of the recently established Labor Ministry. Says Mrs. Kamakawa: "All this bowing means too much servility for a Democratized country. Also it's a waste of time. From now on, when I enter or leave my office, the clerks will do better to go right on working."

So the women are going to take bowing out of Government service. And may Japanese clerks as they raise their cups of saki tonight and instead of Oh my aching back! They may murmur the Japanese equivalent of our toast: "To the ladies, bless 'em."

And that's your motto too, isn't it Nelson?

PRICES

The Democrats are going to blame the Republicans in a big way for high prices. Senator Kilgore of West Virginia, opening the fight today, said he would propose to bring us back O.P.A. at the next session of Congress. In fact, at the coming special session -- if there is one.

RENT

People have not fallen in love with the new Rent Control Law passed by the Eightieth Congress. Both landlords and tenants are being coy, and are not falling over each other to take advantage of the clause which calls for voluntary jumps in the rent. So we learn from a report of the Federal Housing Expeditor, who is also head of Rent Control.

Only six per cent of all the landlords and tenants in the whole United States have availed themselves of the privilege of making a new agreement of their own free will under the statute.

The interpretation is that both tenants and landlords are gambling. The landlords are gambling that March First all controls will be wiped out. The tenants are gambling that on the contrary, the Republicans will succumb to popular agitation for an extension of rent ceilings after March First.

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PALESTINE FOLLOW JEWS

The latest from Palestine is the murder of a Haganah guard by the Stern Gang, or by men of Irgun; or both. Haganah, is still the moderate Jewish organization in the Holy Land.

While the Haganah has not approved of the activities of the Irgun and Stern Gang, the relations between them hitherto have been at least neutra. But, the two more violent organizations declared war on Haganah when the Jewish Agency began enlisting Haganah men to guard ~~the~~ British military camps throughout Palestine, as a pacific measure. Last night, Stern or Irgun men beat up a Haganah railroad guard near TelAviv, and stole his rifle. Today they ambushed another Haganist while he was on gura at a point southeast of Tel Aviv.

This was the day announced by Irgun and Stern, for the beginning of a Jewish boycott and civil disobedience campaign against the British. An important part of it being the refusal to pay taxes. To forestall an outbreak, police armoured cars prowled the neighborhood, and Haganah troopers stood on guard around the income tax office at Tel Aviv.

INDIA

In India, more rioting today; in Delhi, ⁻⁻⁻ this time in the European section of New Delhi. Between Hindus and Moslems. Only six dead, instead of hundreds and thousands in the Punjab rioting. What makes this an important item is that it was in the European section and was followed immediately by a meeting of the ~~Emergency~~ Emergency Committee of the Indian Cabinet, with *— or is he an Earl now--? At any rate with* Viscount Mountbatten, [^] the former Viceroy, in the chair.

The Council decided upon several measures, one of which was a decree that any person caught in an act of violence, whether looting, burning or killing, would be shot on sight. The Council also issued an order forbidding the Sikhs to carry those traditional huge swords, three and four feet long, with which they have perpetrated so much hideous slaughter. Heretofore their pretext for wearing them always has been that the swords were needed for certain religious rites. In the future, no man ~~xxx~~ may carry a sword more than nine inches long.

There is a possibility that both the Pakistan and Hindustan governments will proclaim martial law in the regions where most of the trouble has occurred.

These decrees had hardly been made public before more trouble broke out at the main Delhi railway station. (A band of Sikhs, wearing ~~these same~~ huge swords, swooped down on the passengers of a train about to leave for Lahore. In short order they had cut more than fifty Moslem men, women and children to pieces. And they did it while Hindu police and Hindu soldiers stood by, not raising a hand to prevent the carnage. The victims were all Moslems trying to escape into Moslem territory.)

Shocking, of course. But doubly so since it occurred right at the seat of the Hindustan government, the great city of Delhi. A United Press correspondent arrived on the scene after the Sikhs had finished their ghastly work, and the details he reports -- it wouldn't do to put them on the air.