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CONGO

Lumumba has been ousted. The new Premier, Joseph Ileo is called a "moderate".

Lumumba's fall - had been predicted. He flouted the U N brought in Russian technicians - and forced civil war in Kasai province. As a result - the Congo plunged headlong toward anarchy. That's the reason why President Kasavubu acted today, ousting Lumumba and installing Ileo in his place, and ~~in~~ then asking the U N to restore order in the Congo. Do something about the near-chaos - left by Lumumba.

But, Lumumba insists he is still in power. So all seems to be confusion.

In fact so confused we are not sure who holds the Kasai capitol, Bakwanga. In any case, there can't be much of the place left -not after the savage battle between Lumumba's invasion force and the Baluba defenders. The battle, swaying back and forth in Bakwanga - which they say changed hands several times.

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LONG

Down in Louisiana they are talking about the end of an era - ~~after~~ with the passing of Earl Long. The era of - the Kingfish and Ol' Earl.

The Kingfish - colorful, dramatic Huey Long. Huey was the dominant figure in Louisiana - for so many years. ~~Commonly~~ Often called a Dictator, - ~~when in he was~~ Huey assassinated in Nineteen Thirty-five. Whereupon the Long tradition was taken up by Ol' Earl - Huey's brother.

Earl Long, three times Governor - became noted for his love of the bright lights, and an occasional drink. His career kept the state - in a turmoil. The climax coming last summer- when Ol' Earl's wife had him drugged and shipped off to a mental hospital in Galveston. Subsequently shifted to a Louisiana institution - he got out by the simple method of firing the official who ran the place.

Back in politics, the other day, ~~he won a seat in Congress~~ after a vigorous campaign through the backwoods and the Bayou Country, he won a seat in Congress and was headed for Washington. The strain - was too much. Earl Long died

today. Ol' Earl disappearing from Louisiana - almost twenty-five years to the day since the assassination of Huey Long, the Kingfish.

KENNEDY

The Democratic candidate ~~for President~~ today received an enthusiastic welcome - in Detroit's Cadillac Square. Senator Kennedy - just back from Alaska - addressed a Labor Day crowd in the Motor City. Sixty thousand people applauded as Kennedy invoked the memory of Franklin Roosevelt - and promised to push on with the work that F.D.R. began.

From Detroit, Senator Kennedy motored - to the Michigan State Fair, and spent the ~~rmk~~ rest of the day on a swing through the state -- with key stops in Pontiac, Flint and Muskegon.

NIXON

The G O P candidate spent today - on paper work. Vice President Nixon is still in Walter Reed hospital - with that infected knee, is expected to leave the hospital - on Saturday. But in the meantime, he says he isn't taking his eye off the campaign. This Labor Day weekend he has been drafting some of the speeches he intends to make in the coming weeks. And, outlining more of those "position papers" - on the major issues confronting our country and the free world.

DEGAULLE

The President of France today held his first news conference - in over a year. As usual, ~~Charles~~ Gen. DeGaulle used the occasion - for some major pronouncements on world problems.

He repeated his call for the integration of western Europe - which he thinks would be supported by a popular vote in all the nations. Especially since, in DeGaulle's view - no nation would have to surrender its own sovereignty.

The French President criticized the West for its internal bickering - but he added the comforting thought that the Communist bloc is divided too. The Sino-Soviet quarrel is one reason why DeGaulle wants the West to stand firm against any threats from the Kremlin -- which so ~~xx~~ often are pure bluff.

Nuclear weapons? DeGaulle wants every member of Nato to have control over - atomic bombs on its own ~~xxx~~ soil.

As for Algeria ~~DeGaulle~~ he warns the U N not to interfere - in a French domestic problem.

AFRICA FOLLOW DEGAULLE

DeGaulle's remark about Communist rivalry is pointed up by a dispatch from London - which tells of the Chinese challenging the Russians in Africa. Mao Tse Tung is broadcasting a hard Stalinist line - to the New African nations; Sending out trade missions to compete with those from Moscow; And, bringing African students to Peking - to study his brand of Communism.

Mao is said to be pushing one advantage he has over the Russians - the fact that the Chinese, like the Africans, belong to a non-white race.

CUBA

Today there was a run on -- the bank of China in Havana, following Castro's expropriation of the bank. With Castro recognizing Red China and breaking diplomatic relations with Nationalist China, Havana's Chinese today tried to get their savings out.

**BERLIN**

Another Communist threat to West Berlin; the Reds interfering - with barges from West Germany. They've closed one canal and the alternate waterway isn't deep enough for larger barges. This could be ominous, because Communist interference with barge traffic was the first step - toward the Berlin blockade of Nineteen Forty-Eight.

ACCIDENTS

There's one optimistic note - in the highway death toll over this Labor Day weekend - there have been comparatively few multiple fatality accidents. Despite the fact that Americans have been killing one another at the rate of five an hour -- we haven't had a rash of those appalling crackups that often take half a dozen lives at a clip.

FORGER

In Sacramento, California, Robert Blundell said today - "I want to study journalism - I might do well at writing."

He might- at that. Robert Blundell is called- America's master forger. Said to be the best bad check artist in the business. He's accused of writing fourteen hundred rubber checks in the past five years - with his income hitting two hundred thousand dollars.

Sounds like a profitable occupation?-- Well Robert Blundell wants to get into some other line. He says he has been on the run so much it has almost ruined his health, and has wrecked his nerves. He averaged about sixty thousand miles a year -- and often had to go forty-eight hours without sleep.

He describes the business of passing bum checks - as hard work. All the trouble of picking a name out of the phonebook -- turning out a special check on his private printing press - laboriously forging the name. After which -- he had to pass the check somewhere. And then - the quick

disappearing act, before the town got too hot for him.

He didn't disappear from Oklahoma City - quickly enough. The police nabbed him -- and sent him back to Sacramento. Tonight America's number one forger is in a prison cell, meditating on a new career; -- he says a career in journalism.- he hopes.

OLYMPICS

At the Rome Olympics, this was a good day - for American runners. Lee Calhoun of Gary, Indiana, led ~~by~~ an American sweep - in the hundred and ten meter high hurdles. Wilma Rudolph of Clarksville, Tennessee, ran off with the gold medal - in the women's two hundred meter dash. And in the semi-finals of the men's four hundred meter dash - Otis Davis, of Los Angeles, set a new word's record of forty five and six tenths seconds.

But America suffered some disappointments in today's events - Dave Clark, of North Texas State, couldn't qualify - in the pole vault. He failed at fourteen feet, one ~~inch~~ and a quarter inches - although he's cleared fifteen feet, three inches, before.

And Mrs. Hal Connolly, of Santa Monica, failed to qualify -- in the women's discus throw. Mrs. Connolly is one of the most interesting athletes in the Olympics. As Olga Fikotova - she won a gold medal for Czechoslovakia in Nineteen Fifty Six.

RACE

At the Waterloo, Iowa speedway they don't seem to be able to stop the ladies. The occasion -- Waterloo's annual powder puff race. The gals - careening 'round and 'round in their racing cars.

Suddenly when one car broke down in mid-track, they gave the signal - for everybody to stop. Warning lights - flashed on. Red flags - were waved. Officials -shouted. The crwod - roared. All so that every driver would slam on the brakes.

Instead the lady speedsters - stepped on the gas. Every driver in the powder puff race - ignored the signals. They zoomed round and round - as track officials jumped frantically out of the way - whizzing on - to the end of the race.

The winner - Mrs. Darlene Feckers, of Cedal Calls, Iowa. But the story seems to be the fact that nobody - nothing could stop 'em -- warning lights, red flags, shouting officials. On sped the lady speed demons at

Waterloo.

Now Dick from Waterloo we turn to you.

IMPERSONATION

Here's the story of a man who impersonated a policeman - just to help with the holiday traffic. Raymond Page, of Wilimantic, Connecticut - patrolled the highway in a car, flashing a red light. Four times he stopped drivers for speeding - and let them off with a warning. Once he went to the aid of - a disabled motorist. He was feeling full of civil virtue. - Then, a real police car pulled up.

Tonight Raymond Page is in a Connecticut calaboose. He thinks he should received the thanks of the community - for helping on the highway, during the Labor Day weekend.