

IRAN

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A dispatch from London ~~tonight~~ tells of Britain's first economic moves against Iran, following the breakdown of the Teheran oil talks. Earlier today, we had word that ^{the aged Persian} Premier ~~Mossadegh~~ would deliver his ultimatum to Averill Harriman tomorrow, for forwarding to London. The Iranian note, ^{we hear} demands that Britain open negotiations on Iranian terms, ^{and do it} within two weeks, [—] failing which the British staff are to be expelled from the Abadan refinery. Tonight the British reply; ^{that is} the London treasury giving ^{an} explanation of its crackdown on the Teheran government, which is described as "not a reprisal." ^{! R} The announcement from London states that "the government has been compelled to withdraw certain exceptional financial aid granted Persia, because of her oil." From now on, it seems that Iran will receive no more dollars in exchange for oil sold to countries in the sterling area. ~~At~~ At the same time the British Board of Trade says that all exports of scarce goods to Iran must cease. No more export licenses will be issued for such items as railroad

equipment, metals and sugar.

Meanwhile, another British cruiser, H.M.S. Mauritius, and four of the latest super-destroyers, are steaming at top ~~xxx~~ speed towards the Persian gulf. Bringing the fleet ^{now} at anchor off Abadan to fourteen ships.

BIG THREE

In Washington today ~~SENATE~~ Secretary of State Dean Acheson had a conference with British Foreign Secretary Morrison. What they talked about is a close official secret. The understanding is that Acheson urged Morrison to renew negotiations with Iran on that all-important subject of oil. Morrison's view is that strong action is needed to bring the Iranian government to a more yielding state of mind -- favorable for a compromise. The United States is trying to ~~XXXX~~ ameliorate on both sides.

~~Today's talk between the two statesmen was in preparation for the conference of the Big Three which begins on Wednesday in Washington. It is understood that one thing the foreign ministers of Great Britain, the United States and France will discuss is the case of Associated Press Correspondent Oatis who has been thrown into a Red jail in Czechoslovakia. Plans to procure the release of Oatis will be discussed we are told.~~

ADD MORRISON

The latest from Washington. At the end of today's meeting between Secretary of State Dean Acheson and Herbert Morrison, a large crowd had gathered outside the State Department. As the Secretary of State came into sight he was greeted with loud applause. As a State Department spokesman later remarked: "It has been a long time since something like that happened -- that's news."

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honeycomb. The charges are heavy, described as hundred and thirty millimeter projectiles, with a range of six miles.

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KOREA

In Korea, the enemy have thrown a new weapon into action. New for the Korean war, that is; actually, a Russian secret weapon first unveiled in action against the Germans. The news comes in an announcement from Tokyo which states that Russian-made rockets have been falling behind the Allied lines on the East Central front, ^{this} for several days, ^{now,} These missiles it appears, are launched from large trucks, fired sixteen at a time, from ^{an affair that looks like a huge} ~~a sort of gargantuan~~ honeycomb. The charges are heavy, described as hundred and thirty-two millimeter projectiles, with a range of six miles.

Meanwhile, fighting has flared again in the Iron Triangle. In one ^{phase of the} battle U N forces gained the pinnacle of a mountain commanding the invasion corridor to Seoul. In this sector fighting is described as "bitter, with close quarter bayonet struggles" as the Reds were cleared from foxholes and bunkers. Censorship blacks out details of ~~gripping~~ fighting elsewhere in the Iron Triangle area, and little contact is reported on other parts of the front.

KOREA VIOLATIONS

(In the fantasy of truce violations, American officers today made an investigation of - charge number twelve. There have been a dozen protests by the Reds each alleging a number of incidents.) Which raises the figure for alleged individual violations to quite a total. In fact as the New York Herald Tribune points out today, the Reds declare that allied airplanes, alone, have violated the neutral Kaesong zone one hundred and thirty-nine times.

(Complaint number twelve ~~was~~ claimed that a U N plane blazed away at some houses three-quarters of a mile from the place in Kaesong where the truce talks have been held.) So this is the "incident" which was investigated today. A report is made by Air Force Colonel Don Darrow of Tacoma, Washington, who says they found bullet marks on a group of houses, signs of machine gun fire - from several directions. The Reds claim that the plane made ~~an~~ one pass at the buildings. Which certainly does not fit the picture of machine gun fire from several directions. (The

investigating team declares that there is no proof that an allied plane made an attack, or that there was any attack.)

The whole thing turned into a farce, when they interviewed a Korean woman who lives in one of the houses. She declared that she heard the noise, but did not know her house had been hit. "I thought it was a ^mouse," said ~~xx~~ she. The Communist mountain laboring, and bringing forth a propaganda mouse.

DEWEY

Governor Dewey will make a report to President Truman. Thursday noon, at the White House, those two long time political rivals will meet and Tom Dewey will tell Harry Truman about the forty-thousand mile tour of the Pacific he made - visiting critical areas of Asia. Three years ago they were battling it out for the Presidency. Today White House Secretary Short said: "The Governor has made an important trip to the Pacific. He is coming in to report on it."

Some of the things he will say can be surmised. The other evening Tom Dewey gave a talk to a gathering of neighbors, and went all out in giving his opinions of the U.S. Army in Korea. He was at the war front and he saw a lot of both officers and G I's. With all the emphasis at his command, he told us that the U.S. forces in Korea right now are the most effective fighting units this country has ~~xxx~~ ever had. As soldiers, they are tops.

Today's announcement arouses immediate speculation. There has been talk from time to time

that President Truman might name his Republican rival for President as Secretary of State - upon the retirement of Dean Acheson.

People close to Secretary Acheson have been saying that Acheson would like to retire, as soon as he has ■ vindicated his reputation - in the face of bitter attack. That moment, according to some has now arrived -- after the high success with which Dean Acheson handled the San Francisco Conference, the way he dealt with Gromyko. So now he might want to step down, and President Truman might let him.

That is the line of speculation, and all you need to do is to add the fact - that Governor Dewey will confer on Thursday with President Truman and make a report on Asia. Political soothsayers take one gaze into their crystal-ball, and see the possibility -- Dewey appointed Secretary of State. That is the latest in the U.S. guessing game.

SENATORS

In Washington this afternoon, the Senate Chamber witnessed a brief, ~~and~~ dramatic scene, during the debate on the Sixty-One Billion Dollar military appropriations bill. For ~~xxx~~ an hour, Democratic Senator Paul Douglas of Illinois had been ~~addressing~~ ^{speaking} ~~the Chamber~~, calling for a Billion Dollar cut in military spending. Senator Douglas had accused the armed services of extravagance and recalled "The ~~xxxxx~~ improprieties of some procurement officers."

Democratic Senator O'Mahoney, Floor Manager of the Bill ~~xxx~~ then interrupted and said he feared Douglas's words "would be broadcast by Tass behind the Iron Curtain." At which point Senator Douglas put his head on his desk; ^{then} suddenly ~~ran~~ ^{started} across the floor. After a few feet he stopped and let out a loud cry, startling those present. Douglas then ran to the cloak room, where he is ~~xx~~ reported to have talked

"emotionally," "before a doctor could be summoned," as the ~~dispatch~~ ^{dispatch} put it. The report is that ~~one eye witness said~~, "he seemed deeply affected by what Senator O'Mahoney said."

TP Earlier in the debate, ^{Sen.} Douglas had complained of what he termed ~~of~~ the "awful weight of having to pass judgment on the enormous military budget," ^{which he said} ~~and said that~~ had "prevented him from sleeping for a month."

However, less than half an hour after his ~~xxx~~ collapse, Senator Douglas was back on the Senate floor - apparently fully recovered. Meanwhile ^{the Wyoming} Senator ~~had explained to~~ ~~McMahon, who had told~~ the Senate he had no intention of implying that Douglas was "giving aid and comfort ~~xxx~~ to the enemy."

HOAX

The search for survivors from a four engined bomber, whose ten man crew were reported parachuting into the Atlantic or Greenland, is off. Today the Air Force ordered the Coast Guard Cutter Humboldt, *which has been* scouring the Atlantic, ~~for the downed flyers,~~ to return to its weather patrol. Also, recalled ^{were all} ~~all~~ U.S. Air Force, Newfoundland and Iceland ^{based} ~~to their~~ ~~bases.~~ The reason - it all turns out to be a hoax, ~~no missing plane at all.~~

The original faint S O S message was heard yesterday afternoon, on both sides of the Atlantic. Last night a British airliner, bound for New York, sent word of "a heavy green light" in the vicinity of the search. This, however, is now thought to have been a meteor--hurtling/along at low altitude.

From ^{an} ~~Tinker~~ Air Force Base, outside Oklahoma City, comes the explanation of the fake S.O.S. ^{The word is} ~~Spokesman states~~ ^{signals} that these were transmitted by an ~~Air Force~~ radio man at the ^{Oklahoma air base.} ~~Air Force field.~~ ~~But~~ No reason ~~is~~ given ~~for his motives.~~ "It was an

awful malicious thing to do", ~~xx~~ was the only comment from the director of Air Rescue Operations, ^{adding} ~~who states~~ that this ^{is} ~~was~~ the first time he has ^{ever} heard of such a ~~grim hoax.~~ ~~case on this broadcast. We've heard a lot lately of the wonderful work done by ham radio operators in many cases saving lives by obtaining blood plasma or drugs. But this is the first time I've heard of a case of a malicious radio ham - and a phoney S O S,~~

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CONTRACT

In London last night, the curtain went up for the first time on the stage of the "Mermaid Theatre", ^{which} ~~would~~ would seem to indicate something Shakespearean, the old Mermaid Tavern for instance. That famous inn where Will Shakespeare and Kit Marlow^e would chew the fat about their latest plays over a foaming beaker of porters.

With an eye to history, Bernard Miles, a Shakespearean actor, has just finished his own private theatre; ~~in the back garden of his London home. He has followed~~ ^{ing} exactly, says the dispatch, ~~the Seventeenth Century Globe Theater,~~ ^{17th century} Shakespeare's famous "Globe" Theatre in London, not far from the Mermaid Tavern.

The show?— Purcell's opera, "Dido and Aeneas", written not long after Shakespeare's time, and based on the love story of Dido, legendary founder of the ancient city of Carthage. Starring is Kirsten Flagstad, the Norwegian Soprano, for whom Bernard Miles drew up an authentic seventeenth century contract.

For his part, the manager, promises "room and board" also "to prize, treasure, adore, idolize and dote on her, ^{and} to appoint personal slaves who shall wait on her hand, foot and finger; to write her letters and little poems; and, to feed her two pints of oatmeal-stout a day."

For her part Flagstad promises "to sing all the notes in time and in tune, with no false or gratuitous notes." The management is also permitted to "look down her throat whenever they need encouragement."

HIPPOPOTAMUS

If you want to buy a hippopotamus - the price is going down. I don't know why you'd want the monster; but, you might sympathize with - Putzi, ^{Putzi is} the homeless Hippo. And also - you might sympathize with city councillor Julius Ansel of Boston

Some while ago the Councillor ordered the hippopotamus, which was shipped to Boston ~~from~~ from South Africa. He thought the hippo would make a fine addition to the Franklin Park Zoo, and was sure the City Fathers would pay the price. But no -- Boston refused to have anything to do with any hippopotamus deal. So Putzi, the homeless Hippo was sent to a wild animal farm -- leaving City Councillor Julius Ansel in a quandry.

The hippo was offered for sale - price four thousand dollars. There was no rush of buyers, and today the price was reduced -- to thirty-five hundred dollars.

So there's your chance - if you want to provide a home for Putzi - the homeless Hippo.

Think of it, Nelson, a Hippo for the price of a convertible! But you want to buy Putzi?