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STRIKE

President Eisenhower has decided to use the Taft-Hartley Law. Setting up an Emergency Fact Finding Board - to investigate the dock strike along the east coast. The strike that has tied up shipping from Maine to Virginia. In the words of the President, "this is something to imperil the national health and safety" - if it continues. So, he sets up the Fact Finding Board, under Taft-Hartley. The Board to report to him by midnight on Monday. After that, Mr. Eisenhower can, if so decides, ask for a court injunction - which would compel the unions to call off the strike for eighty days.

The leaders of the Longshoremen's Association declare that the strike will go on, until the government obtains an injunction.

Shipping officials estimate that the walkout will cost a million-and-a-half a day in New York alone. Today, the French liner Liberte came in to its Hudson River pier

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without tug boats. And more than one thousand passengers had to carry their own stateroom baggage ashore. Other liners will face the same problem - as long as the strike goes on.

## STEVENSON

The former Governor of Illinois today visited the White House. President Eisenhower and Adlai Stevenson talking over the Stevenson plan for a non-aggression pact with Russia. They met twice, in the President's office - a three way discussion attended by Secretary of State Dulles.

Later Adlai Stevenson said that the President seemed much interested.

The defeated leader of the Democratic party says he has not decided whether the pact - if there is one - should include just Russia and the Big Three, or whether it should include all the Western nations and all the Iron Curtain countries. The Stevenson hope is to check aggression against Russia - as well as check Russian aggression against the West. He hopes his non-aggression pact will be put up to the Kremlin. A Kremlin refusal would, in his words, "deprive Russia of the peace propaganda it now has."

According to Stevenson, the President told him the State Department is already studying the plan.

Senator Ferguson of Michigan has called the whole idea, "appeasement"; that it allows too much leeway to the Russians. But Stevenson says President Eisenhower does not so regard it.

HOGGE

Our new Army Commander in Europe declares that Russia could start an atomic attack tomorrow. General William Hoge stating that the Kremlin is in a position to start its troops west at any time. However, General Hoge also states that the three hundred thousand men under his command are being trained to meet such a possibility. Discussing the whole situation, ~~GENERAL~~ General Hoge declared: "We know that we have the capabilities for tactical atomic war - and we are sure that they have too."

Hoge added that his army is in better shape now than American troops were at the beginning of the Korean War.

KOREA

Washington announces a mutual defense treaty with

Korea. Secretary of State Dulles signing the document. It pledges the two countries to consider attack on one - as a threat to the other's security. The treaty now goes to the Senate, for ratification. Secretary Dulles pointed out that it agrees with the aims and principles of the U.N. Charter.

EGYPT

Naguib's revolutionary tribunal sentences a former Premier to death. Abdul Hadi, to hang for what are called "treason and crimes against the state."

The prosecution of Abdul Hadi followed Naguib's announcement that he had uncovered a plot to overthrow his Ex-Premier regime. /Hadi, said to be implicated in the plot. ~~He was~~ accused of communicating with a hostile foreign power. Also of "instigating" Egypt's entry into the <sup>Palestine</sup> ~~Arab-Israeli~~ war of Nineteen Forty-Eight - at a time when Egypt was not ready for war.

A dispatch from Cairo states that a murmur went through the crowd in the courtroom, when Hadi's sentence was announced. The dispatch adds that Naguib had ordered extra security precautions - both inside the courtroom and outside.

## PRISONERS

General Mark Clark flies to Korea. Our Far East Commander, accompanied by the man who will replace him - General John Hull. They'll investigate the situation there - including the problem of prisoners who don't want to go back to Communism.

The prisoner issue is not getting any better. Chinese and North Koreans, already have been rioting, against the Neutral Command. In the latest demonstration, Indian troops fired into the mob. One Northern Korean killed, and five injured. This time it all began when Red medical officers from Poland and Czechoslovakia appeared. The patients began to shout abuse at the Reds, and showered them with stones. In one place, North Koreans broke through a barbed wire fence, and began to hurl stones at the Communist doctors. The Reds fled to an ambulance, which drove them off. But the Indian troops fired at the prisoners. This, following warnings by loud speaker. That was when the casualties occurred.

It was the second major outburst in a week. The

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prisoners, demonstrating against the "explainers", who will try to get them to return home. The head of the Indian forces guarding the prisoners, says that the situation is getting tougher to handle.

MIG

No one has yet put in a claim for that Russian Mig - the one that a North Korean pilot flew to Kimpo Airfield and handed over to us. American officers expected the Reds to demand it back. And so General Mark Clark announced that we would turn it over to the "rightful owner", meaning we just wanted to see if the Russians would put in a claim for it.

Now our Military Armistice Commission says what I suppose everybody thought we'd hear sooner or later, than the Iron Curtain countries have completely ignored the incident, and American officers believe the Reds don't want it mentioned at all - fearing other Red pilots might get the same idea and fly their planes across to the free world.

MAO TSE-TUNG

Today Mao Tse-Tung made a public appearance; which he seldom does. Generally staying behind the scenes - letting others have the limelight, as long as he runs things. But today Red China celebrated the Fourth Anniversary of his rule. So Mao Tse-Tung stood on the reviewing stand as troops and workers passed before him and jet planes flew overhead. According to Peiping Radio, the people of Peiping danced in the streets. The city, described as a sea of Red flags. And the sidewalks crowded with spectators.

Malenkov sent a message of congratulation to Mao Tse-Tung -- the Soviet Premier hailing, what he called, "the unbreakable eternal friendship and close cooperation between Russian and China."

## ANDRHA

A dispatch from Kurnool, India, discloses that the new state of Andhra is now officially established. In the South - Equatorial India - in Madras, that has long agitated for separate status in the Indian union. Today, Nehru presided over the ceremony as Andhra became the twenty-ninth Indian state.

The people of Andhra speak Telegu - which sets them off from most of the inhabitants of Madras, who speak Tamil. And what language did Nehru speak during the ceremonies? Well, he used Urdu - still another of the 200 odd languages of India. Asking the people of Andhra to think of themselves first as Indians, he said: "Forget your narrow and communal caste differences and think of yourselves as citizens of India." And that's a new and novel idea for the sub-continent of Hindustan.

The head Andhra is now T. Prakasam, for years a member of the Socialist Party. Just three days ago he resigned - to join Nehru's Congress Party. And now he heads the government of the new state of Andhra.

REUTER

A dispatch from Berlin tells of half a million people paying their respects to the Late Mayor Ernst Reuter. On his coffin they placed that famous black beret, the Mayor always wore.

Sentries at American headquarters saluted as the procession passed. And the American flag flew at half mast. People all over Berlin placed candles in their windows in mourning.

## STRIKES

More strikes in France. This time, workers on the railroads and in communications, walking out.

This walkout is described in a dispatch from Paris, as part of a red master plan to cause trouble for the Laniel government. The Communists control the French Confederation of Labor, the organization that has called out the workers.

POPE

Today, the Pope excommunicates everyone concerned in the case of Cardinal Wyszynski. His decree follows from Cannon Law - the law of the Catholic Church - which indicates the penalty for anyone guilty of violence against a Cardinal.

## PICCARD

Yesterday we heard how Professor August Piccard had set a record by descending more than ten thousand feet into the Mediterranean. Today, the Professor talked about what he and his son saw down there. He said that pitch darkness closed in over his bathysphere at a depth of some five hundred feet. From there on his searchlights pierced the darkness for only a short distance. So, they saw very little. In fact, it was only when he put the lights out that he saw any marine life at all.

"About halfway down we put the searchlights out" says Piccard - and then "thousands of tiny phosphorous points became visible - milling up and down in a fantastic dance." He explained this as "a swarm of phosphorescent microorganisms - the only inhabitants of the depths of the sea".

The Piccards made some scientific observations from the bathysphere. But the professor refused to talk about these.

## BALL GAME

The big game today turned into a triumph for two New York Yankees - one a veteran, and one a youngster in the Majors. Eddie Lopat pitching his way to the four-to-two victory. And Mickey Mantle getting a homer that made the difference.

The Dodgers out-hit the Yankees by nine-to-five. But the Yanks got two important home-runs -- Billy Martin got the other. The Dodgers, none.

Preacher Roe almost shared the fate of Carl Ersking, he barely survived the first inning - when he walked three, giving the Yanks a run without a hit. After that, the Preacher settled down, and pitched good ball until the eighth. Up to that Mantle two-run homer.

Historians of baseball point out that Brooklyn now faces a problem that no team has ever solved - to win a World Series after losing the first two games.

At least never since it was decided to make four victories the minimum for a world championship.

## GOLD

Three soldiers have struck gold on a military reservation. And they did it just like old sourdoughs - using picks and shovels and a "dry washer" to sift out the gold from the sand.

The soldiers - Sam Briant of El Paso, Texas, Leonard Schaulkoffsky of Alpena, Michigan, and Kenneth York of Kansas City. The three were sent to an army station at Yuma, Arizona. It was Sam Briant who thought up the idea of looking for gold. Says he:- "We saw a lot of holes in the desert, indicating that other prospectors had been there. So why shouldn't we try?"

The three soldiers, in their spare time built a "dry washer", although they didn't know what such a contraption looked like. In the end it looked like the kind used in the days of 49, in the California gold rush".

Then the three G.I.'s with their picks and shovels headed for the desert. And they found gold, including nuggets.

There's still gold in them thar Arizona hills, Mike-  
are you interested in glittering nuggets?