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This afternoon, on the front page of the New York World-Telegram appeared a five-column headline -- ^{Just} an example of headlines all over the country. It read: "Hoover returns to Iowa for eightieth birthday party."

Seldom -- that a birthday makes the front page with such a splash. It couldn't happen to anybody else -- except Former President Herbert Hoover.

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The birthday party was at West Branch, Iowa, where Herbert Hoover was born eighty years ago -- son of the village blacksmith. The population of West Branch is seven-hundred and nineteen. Today, there were fifty thousand people in that village.

President Eisenhower sent a message, saying: "Few men in our country's history have been privileged to serve the nation in so many important capacities as have you -- and certainly none has done so with greater brilliance and devotion."

Former President Hoover made an address and it was

powerful. He reviewed our foreign policy for the past twenty years -- with a statement of his own position. And --- no mincing of words.

"I opposed and protested every step in the policies which led us into the Second World War," said Herbert Hoover. "Especially -- in June, 1941, when Britain was safe from a German invasion due to Hitler's attack on Stalin.

"I urged," he went on, "that we should allow those two dictators to exhaust each other. I stated that the result of our assistance (to Stalin) would be to spread Communism all over the world."

The former President gave a sketch of what did happen. He said: "Our acquiescence in the annexation by Russia of the Baltic States and the partition of Poland extinguished the liberties of tens of millions of people. Worse, still, was the appeasement -- and surrender, at Yalta, of ten nations, to slavery. And there was the secret agreement,

with respect to China, which set in train the communization of Mongolia, North Korea, and all China."

On the subject of domestic policy, Former President Hoover was equally forthright. He excoriated creeping Socialism, and bureaucratic infringement of local freedom.

"Bureaucracy," said he, "rushes headlong into ~~1~~ visions of the millenium and sends the bills to the treasurer."

Herbert Hoover celebrating his eightieth birthday -- in the style of our foremost elder statesman.

CLARK

Russia should be expelled from the United Nations. That's

— head of The Citadel.

the opinion of General Mark Clark, The General, testifying

before the Senate Internal Security Sub-Committee, added --

that this country should break off diplomatic relations with

Moscow.

Mark Clark thinks that the Kremlin is using the U.N. -- to

keep spies and saboteurs in America. That's why he wants the

Russians dropped from the international organization.

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DULLES

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MENDES-FRANCE

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Premier Mendes-France, ~~becomes almost~~ dictator, for
the next seven months. The national assembly, ⁱⁿ ~~at~~ Paris, granting
him power to push through his economic program. The vote,
overwhelming -- three-hundred-and-sixty-one to ninety. This
means, that Mendes-France can make law by decree -- until
March of next year.

In the vote, the Communist Party abandoned Mendes-France
for the first time. The Reds, opposing his economic plan for
France. But the other parties rallied to his support. And so
he gets more power than any French Premier has had since World
War Two.

ATTLEE

The Premier of the Soviet Union plays host to a former Prime Minister of Great Britain. Malenkov holding a dinner for ~~the~~ Clement Attlee, ^{on his way} who ~~is passing~~ through Russia with seven other members of the British Labor Party, ~~The British~~ ^{Red} group, en route to China.

Attlee and his colleagues met top Russian officials at the dinner -- Malenkov, Vishinsky, and others. And the Moscow Press describes the affair as "friendly." The Russians, evidently, anxious to have the Britishers return home with a good impression of Moscow.

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GOA

India accepts a Portuguese suggestion for settling the dispute over Goa. Goa, on the Malabar Coast, has been held by the Portuguese for around four hundred years. Since Vasco de Gama and St. Francis Xavier. Today the Portuguese regard Goa as an integral part of their nation.

But recently, India has been demanding the return of this region on the western slope of Hindustan. To which Lisbon replied that any attempted invasion -- would be thrown back by force. At the same time, the Salazar Government suggested that umpires be chosen from three neutral nations, to report on the dispute.

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Extreme tension in one of the oldest of all

European Colonies. The Portuguese seized Goa in the days of the great explorations. And they^are determined to hold Goa now - unless a neutral commission decides against them.

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DEWEY

The "most memorable year" in the development of natural resources in New York State. So spoke Governor Dewey, today at the beginning of construction on the St. Lawrence power project. The Governor, referring to that and to the St. Lawrence seaway -- which he termed, "the two greatest projects ever undertaken stet stet.

The Governor spoke at the site of the long Sioux Dam, which will provide over a million horsepower of electricity, to be divided between the United States and Canada.

McCARTHY

Senator McCarthy thinks that the Senate should pay for his attorney -- when the charges against him are being heard by the Committee headed by Senator Watkins of Utah. The Wisconsin Republican told the news conference that the Senate usually pays for an attorney when the election of any member is challenged. So he's having a check on whether he is entitled to the same consideration. Senator Watkins declares that his Committee is also studying the question. Watkins adding, that the Senate does not always pay an entire lawyer's fee -- even when an ~~election~~ election is contested.

Meanwhile, Senator Fulbright of Arkansas says he will object if the Committee discards some of his charges against McCarthy. In particular, the charge that McCarthy improperly accepted ten thousand dollars for a housing booklet.

JAILER

In Dijon, France, a number of Frenchmen have just paid their respects to an honored guest. And not the type guest you might expect either. For this guest was once the head of a Nazi Prison in Dijon.

For the explanation we go back to the days of Occupied France. Joseph Grumbir was appointed head jailer in Dijon by the Gestapo. But he was a different sort of Nazi. He did everything he could to help his prisoners. He passed information between them and their families. He sent out last messages from men condemned to death. He smuggled in packages from the outside. He even sent warnings to the French underground -- when the Gestapo was about to arrest a resistance fighter.

So no wonder the prisoners called this jailer "Good Joseph". But his Gestapo bosses got wise, and one night they arrested him -- and put him in one of his own cells. Later, he was sent to the Russian front, as punishment. Luckily he

survived that desperate war and finally returned to his home in Hamburg.

A few weeks ago, Joseph Grumbir decided to go somewhere on vacation. The place they chose was Dijon. In that French city, as they were coming out of the station, they were recognized by a former prisoner, who remembered how well Grumbir had treated them all. So he invited the former Nazi jailer to his home. Soon word spread throughout the city. And the ex-jailer and his wife were deluged with invitations. From then on, they were the honored guests of Dijon. Everybody eager to show appreciation to "Good Joseph".

And that, says the dispatch, is the story of the most unusual reception ~~xx~~ and welcome ever received by a Nazi, in a French city.

WOMEN

Today three women walked into the office of the Montreal Herald. Penny Clark, Mary McTigue, and Dolly Marchand -- announcing, that they had just escaped from prison.

The three women were in a cell in Fullum Street Women's Jail. They broke into a kitchen, climbed down the fire-escape, ran across the yard, and climbed over a fence into a children's playground. Then they went out into Montreal -- and turned up in the office of the Herald.

So what does it all mean? Well, Penny and Mary and Dolly say they just wanted to stage a demonstration against conditions in the jail. ~~Among other things, they say the food was very bad.~~ ^{— especially the food.} ^{So} ~~That's why~~ they broke out, and told their story to the newspaper, which

~~The Herald~~ promptly turned them over to the police, which ~~seems to put the reporters one up on the officers of the law.~~

PAINTING

Do you like modern art -- those abstract paintings that don't seem to mean anything?

At Burlingame, California, the San Mateo County Fair featured an art show. Among the paintings, one by Kerney Walton; a portrait with a haunted look -- surrounded by swirls of color. Artist Walton called it "schizophrenic."

The Judges gave Walton's painting second prize. Thought it was that good.

But here's the catch. The artist says he submitted his work -- as a joke. He just wanted to see what would happen. Says he: "I only submitted it because I thought it would be snickered at -- and thrown out."

What did the Judges say when they heard that? They still think his painting was worth the prize. "Gag or no gag, it is good," says one Judge.

CENSOR

In staid old London, they're having a big dispute over a decision by the Lord Chamberlain. The question -- is it proper to refer to a Right Honorable Member of Parliament as "always the bridesmaid -- never the bride."

^{Lord}
The Chamberlain heard that line in a London show. ~~It~~
~~was~~ Part of a song, which went like this:

"Thirty odd years of frustrated desire,
waiting for senior men to retire.
Assistant, adviser, consultant and guide,
Always the bridesmaid, never the bride."

Well, when the Lord Chamberlain heard that, he asked himself -- could it be a reference to Anthony Eden? We all know how the Foreign Secretary has been second in command for so long. Always ^{no. 2 to} ~~behind~~ Winston Churchill. ~~And~~ The Lord Chamberlain ^{decided it was} ~~found it~~ most improper. So he decreed -- that song must be dropped from the show.

Now the newspapers have taken up the argument. They think it's going too far with official censorship. The London

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Daily Mirror, describing the decision as "ham handed and stupid."

But the decision of the Lord Chamberlain stands. And henceforth, Harry, no one is to refer to any member of Parliament as "always the bridegroom -- never the bride."

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