

ARGENTINA

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Late news of wholesale arrests (in Argentina - more than eight hundred political suspects rounded up during the past week.) In addition to which, the police have been raiding far and wide - searching for concealed stocks of weapons. The Peron government refuses all comment - but tonight's dispatch from Buenos Aires states the belief that a government bulletin will soon be issued. ~~Maxi~~ Charging - the discovery (There was, we hear, of a plot to assassinate or kidnap President Peron and his wife, Evita.)

The arrests include a long list of prominent political figures, with a record of opposition to Peron.

KOREA-TRUCE

Tonight, in Korea, Vice Admiral Turner Joy, Chief of the U N delegation, hands over a document to ~~xx~~ the Chief of the Reds, North Korean General Nam Il. It's the Allied reply to that enemy suggestion - for a full scale peace conference to be held in ninety days, after an armistice is concluded. Tonight's event, the presentation of the document, is regarded as a long step toward a decision - whether or not there'll be a truce in the near future.

The contents of the Allied reply have not been divulged, but the rumor is that it says - yes, let's have a peace conference ninety days after signing an armistice. Moreover, the allied^S agree to a peace conference discussion of a withdrawal of foreign troops from Korea - as the Communists insist.

But it ~~would~~^{must} all be limited to a settlement in Korea - with no parley about Formosa or ~~the~~ admission of Red China into the U N. ~~The Reds,~~ ~~in their peace conference proposal, worded it in such~~ a way as to suggest - Formosa and the United Nations.

FOLLOW KOREA TRUCE

A late dispatch this evening stated that the negotiators were in session - and reported that the reply handed to the Reds by Admiral Turner Joy includes a provision ^{for} ~~for~~ free elections in Korea following an armistice.

GERMANY

(Tonight ^{the} West German Parliament voted in favor of participating in west European defense.

The majority - two-hundred-and-four to a hundred-and-fifty-six. This is a victory for Chancellor Adenauer, in his decision to join the western powers in rearming.)

~~However, there ^{will} have to be further votes in the West German Parliament - to authorize the formation of German military units for the Army of General Eisenhower.~~

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QUEEN

The trumpets rang out in London today - just as they might have done in the time of that First Elizabeth. The City on the Thames has changed a great deal in four hundred years. But, in the scenes today, there was much that would have been familiar in Fifteen hundred and Fifty-Eight, four years before Shakespeare was born. The dazzling costumes of the Heralds were much the same, and so were the shining trumpets they blew.

The first fanfare sounded, when the new Queen took the Oath in St. James's Palace. She was quiet and serious, as she stood before the Privy Council and said: "My heart is too full to say more to you today, than - that I shall always work, as my Father did throughout his reign, to uphold Constitutional Government and advance the happiness and prosperity of my Peoples."

This was followed by the public proclamation, made by Sir George Bellew, clad in velvet and cloth of gold. While the trumpets blew their shrill notes again, as Sir George stepped out onto a balcony of the Palace,

and faced a crowd of three thousand. He read from a scroll of parchment, full of quaint words and medieval phrases. Beginning - "We, therefore, the Lords spiritual and temporal of the realm." And continuing - in one long sentence of thirteen lines, as transmitted by the news wire.

More trumpeting, and then a parade to Charing Cross, where the proclamation was read again. Finally, the Temple Bar, where the Lord Mayor of London had to give his permission before the Heralds might enter the ancient precincts of the "City" to read the proclamation there. That was the climax of pageantry. The Lord Mayor always puts on a big show, even exceeding Royalty itself. But, then, that's the way Lord Mayors were - in the days of the First Elizabeth.

All of Britain, thinking in terms of glory and splendor, is wondering about - the Coronation. When will the young Queen be crowned? Memory goes back to the enthronement of her Father, fifteen years ago - the most brilliant, impressive pageant, of our time.

The word I hear is that the Coronation of Elizabeth is likely to be held next year, late Spring or early Summer. Which seems a rather long delay. But there'll be a period of mourning for the late King, and six months might be a probable time for that. Which would reach almost into the Autumn - not the best time for festivities in London. Late Spring and early Summer are best. That previous Coronation, in Nineteen Thirty-Seven, was held in May.

In any case, that's what I hear (~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~) that Elizabeth the Second is likely to be crowned next year, ~~(XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX)~~ in May or June, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

PLANES

The Air Force has cut its figures for plane production. The original plan had been to turn out twelve-hundred-and-fifty per month. The new figure -- nine-hundred-and-fifty per month. So stated today by assistant Air Secretary Gilpatrick, testifying before a congressional committee.

He said the outback is in accordance with a cut in the military budget. Which is ~~not big enough~~ ^{colossal} as it is - fifty-two billion dollars for armament.

But ~~that is~~ Nineteen Billion less than the Joint Chiefs of Staff recommended in the first place. Less money - meaning a slower expansion of American air power.

TIGER WOMAN

Tonight the Tiger Woman, Winnie Ruth Judd, is back at the State Mental Hospital ^{at} Phoenix, Arizona. After being a hunted fugitive for six days, she came knocking at the door - asking meekly to be let in.

There's something mighty mysterious about the whole thing - so much of the story kept a secret.

Winnie Ruth Judd was convicted twenty years ago of the trunk murder of two women, her best friends. She was committed to the State Mental Hospital, and has made five escapes.

This last time, she sustained a leg injury - after having lowered herself, with a home-made rope, from a third floor window. She was lame and limping, - But, nevertheless, ^{she} eluded an intensive search by ^{the} police. Today the statement is that she was moved from place to place - by friends. They intended to get her out of the country, but found they couldn't do it.

Last night, the wife of the hospital superintendent got a ^{an} anonymous telephone call, saying - that the Tiger Woman would return within forty-eight

hours, if promised a chance to testify before an Arizona Grand Jury. Just what evidence she might want to give is not known.

The offer to surrender was followed by negotiations between the hospital superintendent and two men, whose identity is kept a secret.

It was reported, at first, that Winnie Ruth Judd had her face lifted, while she was a fugitive. But that turns out to be a misunderstanding. The hospital superintendent meant to say she had her "hair" lifted. That is, a different kind of hair-do -- and she also had her eyebrows plucked, trying to change her looks.

The latest from Arizona is that the Tiger Woman will be permitted to testify before a Grand Jury, as she desires. Also - the Governor is demanding an explanation of the whole strange story. Governor Howard Pyle says he is calling on the hospital authorities to give a full account of the escape and how the surrender was arranged ^{with all that} ~~with so much~~ mystery.

SPORTS

It looks as if we might have a sweeping investigation of sports, a Congressional inquiry - stirred by all the scandals of corruption and underworld influence.

Today in Washington, Congressman Sabath of Illinois, Chairman of the House Rules Committee, announced a resolution to set up a special committee to look into charges of what he called - "grafting, gambling, and crooks."

The Congressman declared that his Committee has before it half a dozen proposals - offered in the heat of the basketball scandals. ~~These have been considered, and the results will be - an investigation of basketball, football, horse racing and boxing. Sports~~ ~~both professional and collegiate.~~ They'll go into the fixing of games, the connection of the underworld with sports, especially boxing, and the devious practices of colleges in "subsiding" athletes.

The Congressman says one result of the inquiry will be to show more vividly than ever - that the public

has little chance of winning in betting on horse races, or in playing such rackets as the "numbers game." He himself advocates a national lottery, which would give the public a fair break - and, at the same time, would bring from three to five billion dollars a year into the treasury of the United States. The government to take - what the underworld gets now.

EISENHOWER

The Eisenhower bandwagon was in New York today, and it ~~sure~~ was blaring loud. Boosters for General Ike, from as far away as Texas, staging rallies and creating an uproar all day long. Two hundred long-horns from the Lone Star State led the hullabaloo, and staged a ceremonial planting of "Texas grass roots."

The big show is tonight - at Madison Square Garden after the fights. A galaxy of the celebrities of radio, television and the movies will ~~whop~~ whoop it up for Eisenhower. All that, and a musical *campaign* premiere, ~~a campaign~~ ^{that} song written by Irving Berlin for the Ethel Merman show, Call Me Madame, the ~~ballad~~ ^{ballad} called "I Like Ike."

The biggest hullabaloo thus far - in the rising noise of the Presidential campaign. →

POLITICS -EISENHOUSER

One small primary was held today. Nothing state wide, only a municipal affair. At West Hartford^t_^ Connecticut, republican voters went to the polls under strict primary conditions -- sponsored by the GOP town committee. The result was a landslide for Eisenh^w_^user. He polled more than three thousand votes to less than twelve hundred for Senator Taft, his nearest rival. The contest will have an influence on delegates to the state National Convention--which will select Connecticut Representatives to go to the big time affair in Chicago.

MACARTHUR

We can heave a sigh tonight for poor General MacArthur. - he certainly is having a tough time keeping out of the Presidential race. Today, he got a flat turn-down from the MacArthur boosters in Minnesota - they won't let him get out of the Primary there.

The General has repeatedly declared that he is not a candidate and does not want to be in any Primary. He took personal action to withdraw in Illinois - although enthusiasts for MacArthur have gone to court, trying to keep the General's name on the ballot, in spite of the General himself.

In Minnesota - still more difficult. His name is in - and, to get it out, he'll have to sign an EX affidavit of the most rigorous kind. An affidavit in the following words - "Not a candidate" and would not accept the nomination, even if the party offered it." Well, the General may sign such a document. But, if he does, the Wisconsin "Fighters for MacArthur" declare they will enter a "Favorite Son", who would throw his delegates to the General at the Republican National

Convention. So what can MacArthur do about that?

His boosters declare that he could **not** possibly resist a draft, if the Convention should nominate him. Which they think is possible, if there is a deadlock between Taft and Eisenhower, Warren and Stassen.

Moreover, the boosters have a hope that MacArthur would stampede the Convention - with one of those eloquent speeches of his. They think he could be persuaded to make an address, as the G.O.P. keynoter.

In the meantime, Nelson, how about a touch of old time Wm. Jennings Bryan oratory from you?