

APALACIAN

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The verdict is - guilty. In the case of the Apalacian underworld conference. Twenty defendants - convicted of conspiring to obstruct justice. Leaving each liable - to five years in prison.

The jury took more than twenty-four hours - to bring in a verdict. Among those on trial - John Montana, a prominent business man of Buffalo. Who, like the others, gave an odd explanation of why he was at the ~~agg~~ alleged underworld gathering ^{that} ~~which~~ met - at the home of Joseph Barbara, at Apalacian.

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the Chicago police never did think Jake ~~the Barber~~ - had anything to do with the crime.

STEEL

The union has made another proposal for a settlement ~~in~~ of the labor dispute in the steel industry. A formula, which the union calls - slightly ^{higher} ~~higher~~ than the ~~in~~ deal they made with Kaiser steel. ^{And - it} ~~which~~ would include - a committee to make recommendations in the thorny problem of working rules.

~~Today, union president McDonald called upon the steel companies - to renew bargaining sessions on a basis of the new proposal. He warned - that, if the companies refuse to bargain on individual basis, the union will take them to law, charging them - with contempt of court.~~

INDIA

The Chinese Reds - make a concession to India.

Offering to withdraw - from territory they seized along the northeastern frontier of India and Tibet. They'll pull out of the Longju sector - if Indian troops evacuate areas of Ladakh, in the far northwest. Red China - renewing its claim to the disputed parts of Ladakh.

The offer is made in a ~~diplomatic~~ diplomatic note from Chinese Premier Chou En-Lai - to Indian Premier Jawaharlal Nehru. Chou En-Lai suggesting - a personal meeting between himself and Nehru.

POISON

The State Department in Washington, today, denounced the Communist ~~the~~ attempt - to poison employees of Radio Free Europe in Munich. Calling it - "a nefarious plot," ~~which was~~ hatched - by a diplomatic official of Communist Czechoslovakia, ~~who~~ ~~was~~ was then stationed - in Austria.

In Munich, today, American counter-intelligence *actually named* people ~~named~~ Jaroslav Nemeč, Vice Consul at Salzburg.

Stating - that he gave salt shakers poisoned with atropine to a Communist agent, ~~who~~ placed them - in the cafeteria of Radio Free Europe, in Munich.

They say the poison was not enough to kill - but would cause serious illness. The Reds - intending to force the closing of the station, which broadcasts news from the free world to people behind the Iron Curtain.

EISENHOWER

President Eisenhower, after his experiences with crowds of millions, is now confronted - with one Frenchman. In Paris - dealing with President Charles De Gaulle. The tall general - who promises to be a tall order. In settling - those ill-tempered arguments between France and the United States.

Today, the President ended his Mediterranean cruise - landing at Toulon. At which city - he got an ovation - comparable to those in Asia. "Vive Eek!" - as the French pronounce it.

Tonight, in Paris, - And let's hope that, in those diplomatic ~~parleys~~ parleys, DeGaulle echoes: "Vive Eek."

CUBA

A Cuban military court pronounced ^S a sentence on John Martino, ~~An~~ electronics expert - of New York and Miami, ~~convicted~~ Convicted - of conspiring to smuggle the family of a "war criminal" out of Cuba. "War criminal" meaning - just about anybody who acted against Castro in his revolt. The sentence - thirteen years in prison.

Meanwhile, Castro has intimated - that he may be satisfied with milder measures against James Buchanan, news reporter of the Miami Herald, ~~who~~ is charged with helping in the jail-break -- of Austin Young, Castro said newsman Buchanan would be tried by a revolutionary court.

However, in his long harangue, Castro ^{added: -} ~~added~~ perhaps it might be well to expel Buchanan from Cuba. Merely - toss him out.

DESERT

In Cairo, a report - that a missing American may have been found. Donald Shannon, of Milwaukee, who was one of the party - that encountered evil disaster in the desert south of Egypt. Two American and two French students - and a Nubian guide, ~~caught~~ - in the horror of thirst. Four bodies found - three students and the guide. No sign - of the other student, Donald Shannon.

Today's news tells of a man arrested in the Sudan. Whom the authorities there believe to be - the missing American.

When the four bodies in the desert were found, the Egyptian police declared - the Nubian guide had been shot and killed. The other three - showing signs of death from thirst. They say there were indications of a bitter battle - fought for a dwindling water supply.

Sudanese trackers reported - that they found traces of the missing student, leading toward the border of Sudan.

The footprints indicating - that he was wounded. ~~Was~~

Walking unsteadily - leaning on a cane.

The man now arrested was trying to get across the border into Kenya. He told the police - he was a Britisher.

^{he}
But refused to meet - anybody from the British or American
_{'s}
embassies in the Sudan.

BEARD

In Boston, David Ross has a beard. A fine growth of whiskers - for a young fellow of twenty four. And he's determined - he'll keep the spinach.

He's an engineer on the City Planning Board, and was told - he'd have to get a shave, or he'd be fired. The chairman of the board, Timothy Regan, stating: "Beards are currently associated with ~~the~~ beatniks, and beatniks have no place on the planning staff of the city."

To which David Ross replied, "Beatniks don't work, and I do."

So he went to court, and asked for a restraining order - to keep them from firing him. Arguing - that any man has a right to grow whiskers.

His petition comes up on Tuesday - in a courtroom where a majestic portrait hangs on the wall, A picture of a distinguished jurist - the late Judge James Bailey Richardson, with a beard - like Santa Claus.

So how can David Ross lose? ^{Field?} Certainly Judge ~~Rick~~ James Bailey Richardson - was no beatnik.

DRUNKS

In Elkins, West Virginia, his honor the Mayor has found an effective way - to promote the cause of temperance. By changing the menu - at the town jail.

Formerly, the local drunks, while in ^{poker,} ~~the wagon~~ - were given sandwiches to eat. Fine thick sandwiches - really delicious. Which was - expensive. Mayor Garland Hickman observing - that, during November, the city spent ~~one-hundred and-fifty-seven dollars and-fifty cents,~~ Feeding sandwiches - to twenty drunks.

So His Honor decided to reduce expenses, ~~Cutting~~ out the sandwiches, and substituting - beans. Just plain beans - boiled; and nothing else.

Result? ~~The~~ In the first two weeks of December, the number of drunks ~~was~~ a mere - six. The beans costing-^{only} ~~four-dollars and-fifty cents.~~

Nothing like temperance - when you get beans in jail, instead of those fancy sandwiches.

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