

**EAST GERMANY**

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East Germany becomes a full fledged Sovereign Soviet state. The Soviet Union, giving control of foreign and domestic affairs to the Red regime of Premier Grotewohl.

But, Soviet occupation troops will remain in East Germany.

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In Washington, a spokesman for the State Department ~~called the proclamation "a sheer facade."~~ Noting the ~~significant thing, that Soviet troops will remain the~~ <sup>that</sup> spokesman remarked <sub>r</sub> "if those troops were removed, the entire puppet regime would collapse under the weight of hatred and hostility of the populace." ~~which it has the~~ ~~effrontery to claim it represents."~~

## SOVIETS

The ~~our~~ State Department refuses to say anything about the <sup>prominent</sup> former member of the Soviet Secret police who disappeared in Tokyo last January. <sup>R</sup> According to press officer Lincoln White, the Soviet Ambassador brought up the disappearance of Yuri Rastvorov at a meeting with Secretary of State Dulles.

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The Ambassador, trying to find out what happened to their man. According to Press officer White, Secretary Dulles promised to give the matter his attention. A diplomatic way of saying - "no information."

Meanwhile, a dispatch from Washington indicates that Rastvorov is asking us for asylum. One report already has him in this country.

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## AMERICAN SPIES

A Soviet newspaper offers advice to four Americans formerly connected with our Embassy in Moscow. The newspaper Trud, official organ of the Russian Trade Unions - telling<sup>S</sup> the Americans that they can find the papers they left on a Trans-Siberian Train, at the lost property office.

Trud, making a sarcastic reference to what it terms "espionage". The Americans involved are Colonel Howard Felchlin, Major Martin Manhoff, Major Walter McKinney, and Sergeant Eugene Williams. The Soviet newspaper bases its accusation on a letter it says it received from the conductor of the train on which the four soldiers rode through Siberia.

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The four left the train at a stop near the Manchurian border. But, says the letter to the newspaper,

"they left behind two pages of notes. Which were translated  
*Then it adds:-*  
by an English teacher on the train". We hear that the pages seem  
to be a "questionnaire for spying purposes - with a list of  
main towns and stations."

So Trud suggests that the Americans apply at the  
lost property office - ask for those/spionage ~~xx~~ notes they  
left behind ~~xx~~ when they got off the train.

The American Embassy in Moscow refuses to comment,  
*and*  
~~xx~~ says no communication on the incident has come from the  
Soviet Foreign Office.

~~The clergyman~~  
~~A Presbyterian Minister~~ contradicts another  
~~Anglican clergyman~~  
~~Congressional Minister~~, in testimony before the House

Un-American Activities Committee. The Reverend Joseph  
Nowak declaring that the Reverend John Hutchison was  
untruthful in statements made before the Committee.

Last week, Hutchison ~~declared~~ <sup>stated</sup> under oath that he  
had no knowledge of ever being in the Baltimore headquarters

of the Communist Party. But today <sup>the Rev.</sup> Nowak said that he and the

<sup>Rev. John</sup> ~~Hutchison~~ <sup>did</sup> visited that headquarters together. Nowak added

that they were present <sup>at an affair where</sup> ~~a demonstration~~ and Hutchison

made the principle speech. <sup>And he said they were</sup> ~~According to Nowak, he said~~

<sup>both</sup> ~~Hutchison~~ were trained in Marxism when they were at the <sup>theological</sup>

seminary together.

<sup>two others -</sup>  
The Nowak testimony came after ~~the~~ former

<sup>the Rev. John</sup>  
Communists, had connected Hutchison with the party in  
Baltimore.

~~When today's hearing was over, Hutchison issued~~  
~~a statement declaring that he stands by what he told the~~

## TAXES

The Senate approves a bill to slash excise taxes by more than a billion a year. ~~The Upper Chamber,~~ <sup>Voting</sup> to cut that much from the cost of things like furs, jewelry, luggage, cosmetics, admission tickets, telephone bills, <sup>and so on</sup> ~~over~~ <sup>committing murder while he was a soldier in Europe.</sup>

The bill now goes to a Senate-House Conference Committee, ~~That committee,~~ to iron out differences between <sup>this one</sup> ~~it~~ and the measure passed by the house. ~~Congressmen have~~ asked for a cut of only nine hundred and twelve millions. The Senate-House Conference Committee will try to bring that figure into line with the figure voted today by the Senate.

Discharged veterans can be court-martialled for serious crimes committed while in uniform. So ruled in Washington by the U.S. Court of Appeals. The Court, sitting on the case of Robert Toth, a Pittsburgh steel worker accused of committing murder while he was a soldier in Korea.

Toth and another G I were ordered, by their Lieutenant, to shoot a Korean found in a restricted area at an air base near Pusan. The other two were court-martialled and imprisoned for their part in the shooting. But Toth <sup>happened</sup> ~~was~~ *to be* ~~discharged before he was connected with the case. He came~~ *from service before the case came up. So, he* ~~returned~~ *back* home to Pittsburgh - <sup>the same as any</sup> just another G I returning to civilian life.

Then last May the Air Force seized him. Took him by plane to Korea - to stand trial. <sup>Whereupon</sup> His sister began an action in the civil ~~ian~~ courts; ~~to get him released from the military.~~ And a federal judge ordered the Air Force to return Toth to this country. <sup>Which was done, and he</sup> ~~where he was~~ released.

Now the U S Court of Appeals overrules the Judge.

*and states*

~~It decides~~ that an honorable discharge does not absolve

a man from punishment for crimes committed earlier. So Robert

Toth can be court-martialled for his part in the shooting of

that Korean back in Nineteen Fifty One - *carrying out*  
*the order from his lieutenant.*

~~But in Pittsburgh,~~ his attorneys declare that they

will ~~appeal~~ <sup>on</sup> and fight the case up to the Supreme Court. ~~if~~

~~necessary~~

A dispatch from Hanoi describes a battle between the Reds and ~~a unit of~~ <sup>the</sup> French Foreign legionnaires - near ~~the besieged stronghold of~~ Dien Bien Phu. The rebels attacking an armored column as it returned from an attack. Around four hundred Reds charging at the sound of bugles -- - leaping from trenches, and racing toward the column. They were met with fire from machine guns, rifles and tank cannons. ~~The fire, so heavy, that they were driven off.~~ The French counted twenty-eight bodies on the field afterward - but ~~estimate~~ <sup>say</sup> the number of casualties ~~as much~~ <sup>was</sup> much higher. ~~because there were~~ <sup>They found</sup> many more rifles ~~lying~~ <sup>scattered</sup> around,

French + Indo - China

At the same time, <sup>the</sup> high command announces the biggest fire bomb attack of the entire war. French planes, ~~hurling~~ <sup>dumping</sup> more than ~~xxxxxx~~ twelve thousand gallons of flaming gasoline on ~~Communist~~ <sup>the Red</sup> troop and supply convoys near Dien Bien Phu. Also, napalm and antipersonnel bombs, ~~dropped~~ on trenches and artillery positions. <sup>TP</sup> Returning pilots say

that the Red supply lines <sup>now</sup> are moving more slowly - and  
are much reduced in number, after <sup>all</sup> the pounding they  
~~have taken from the air.~~

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## EGYPT

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The members of the military council - Naguib, Nasser and their colleagues - met today. A state of emergency declared while the conference was in session. Police at strategic places throughout Cairo. But there ~~was~~ were no demonstrations - and so the police were withdrawn after the meeting.

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"there will be complete and absolute freedom in all respects."

Naguib and Nasser are expected to turn in their  
uniforms and run as candidates in the election. They  
will be treated just like other candidates. Not elected by  
any high pressure.

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## ATOMIC

The Japanese Foreign Minister calls on his countrymen to help guard atomic secrets. Katsuo Okazaki is referring to those fishing boats that were sprinkled with atomic dust. One report tells of radioactive ash - stolen from one of the boats. Also of mysterious persons trying to buy the fishermen's clothing. And, according to Foreign Minister Okazaki, some Japanese scientists who are treating the fishermen - are unfriendly toward America/

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In Adelaide, Australia, politicians accused of - monopolizing the Queen. Jack Axford, a former service man - and holder of the much coveted Victoria Cross, was invited to be presented to his Sovereign. But Jack V.C. says not he - unless his wife is invited to the platform too. His contention is that so far the politicians and their wives have had a corner on the Queen - while wives of servicemen are banned from the formal presentations. So either the missus will meet Her Majesty, or else Jack Axford V.C. will deprive himself of the honor of meeting Elizabeth the Second.

Meanwhile the Premier of West Australia is accusing the all-Australian Prime Minister of building up a political scare with the result that Her Majesty will see little of Perth and the vast area included in Australia's Far West.

Anybody want to buy a jail? If so you should head for Sand Park, West Virginia where on Saturday they will auction off the local cooler - the Sand Park jug. To the highest bidder. And for an excellent reason. There hasn't been a prisoner in that jail for twenty years. Local inhabitants two hundred and seventy five. All God-fearing and law abiding.

At first they decided to rent it as a home. But it seems to be too small. Also, folks didn't seem to like it as a mail address. Care of jail, Sand Park, West Virginia. So it's up for auction.

The citizens of Cleburne, Texas, are having an a dispute. On a subject that has been a matter of dispute since Cavemen days, I suppose. Whiskers! A barber is asking for an injunction against an organization that believes men should grow whiskers -- and keep 'em long.

The plaintiff is Master Barber C.R. Brown. His opposition - the "Brothers of the Brush". That's what the bearded brethren call themselves. The barber puts his case in these words: "I haven't shaved a customer in weeks." He charges that the "Brothers of the Brush" are an illegal organization.

But his petition for an injunction ran into a snag in a hurry. The Judge of the District Court cultivates both a mustache and beard. So, ~~Master~~ Barber Brown now ~~has~~ asks the Judge to disqualify himself.

## PHILIPPINES

1/2 The new and energetic President of the Philippines complains that some Manila officials are not doing much work. Loafing -- and too much time off for siestas. However President Magsaysay says the siesta custom is not the biggest problem. Just the opposite. It's dancing. That latest spanish ~~xxx~~ or Latin-American dance maneuver called the "Mambo." The Mambo we hear is all the rage in the islands. That frenzied swing and ~~xx~~ sway that leaves you limp when you reel to a chair.

2 Says President Magsaysay, too many of the officials are Mambo addicts. He spoke of one engineer who "dances for hours and hours." Then he's too tired to do anything for his country.

Why not fire the engineer? President Magsaysay says he's a good engineer. Furthermore that he's "normally a waltz and fox trot man," and he just ~~waka~~ wants him to go back to the quiet ways of the waltz and the fox trot.

1/2 Give up the Mambo. Says Magsaysay, "the mambo is a national calamity." Mike, how are you at the Mambo?