

L.T.-DELCO. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1957

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Soviet Russia, tonight, proposed a five power disarmament talk in London, next month. Moscow - inviting Britain, France, Canada and the United States. At the U.N., the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister handed notes to the chiefs of the other delegations involved in the suggestion.

MOSCOW

The Soviets are expelling - two more U.S. military attaches. Charging them - with espionage. Marine Captain Paul Uffelman of Fort Wayne, Indiana - and Navy Lieutenant William Lewis of Guthrie, Oklahoma. The U.S. Embassy in Moscow denies ^{it} that espionage accusation in the strongest of terms, and relates the following:

That The two American officers made a trip to Leningrad - with an official Russian okay. They were walking along a street, when Russians passing by - grabbed Lieutenant Lewis, who was carrying a camera. ^{They seized} ~~The Russians grabbed~~ the camera and shouted - "spies, spies!" The two officers showed their identification cards to a policeman, who ignored the cards - and made them go, under protest, to a police station. There they were held for an hour and a half - then released. The camera - returned, ^{was} but the film kept by the police.

Today, the Soviet authorities declared, the film ^{showed} that "military objectives" had been photographed.

Which is the evidence for the expulsion of the two officers.

Our Embassy calling the evidence - nonsense.

The belief is that the real reason is - retaliation.

For the expose' of Soviet espionage - in this country.

POLAND

The State Department announces - that the United States will soon begin to negotiate on the subject of providing aid for the "liberal" Communist government ^{of Poland.} ~~in Warsaw.~~ This country - wanting to support the Gomulka regime in its policy of relative independence from Soviet Russia. We hear that the Warsaw government wants American loans - with no political conditions attached. To buy foodstuffs and machinery over here. Our government - willing to sell agricultural surpluses. That - for a start.

U.N.

At the U.N., a resolution is being prepared - calling for immediate sanctions against Israel. Sponsors - the powerful Asian-African group of countries. They held a meeting, today, and reached a decision - to press for economic measures against Israel, unless the Gaza Strip and the Aqaba sector are evacuated.

Yesterday, Israel told Secretary General Hammarskjold - there would be no such evacuation, unless Egypt gave a pledge of non-belligerency. Meaning - that Egypt would ~~not~~ cease to act under conditions of war. Which would include such matters - as preventing Israeli ships from passing through the Gulf of Aqaba.

Today we hear that Hammarskjold answered, Asking the Israelis - whether they intended to withdraw from Egyptian territory. He said that until they made a reply, their demand on Egypt would get no consideration.

ADD U.N.

Word from Jerusalem, Israel, continues to indicate - that Premier Ben-Gurion and his Cabinet have decided - they'll risk the imposition of sanctions, rather than give up the disputed areas. Without guarantees - that Egypt will not use them against Israel.

EGYPT - ARMAMENT

The State Department is investigating reports - that Communist countries have resumed the shipment of weapons to Egypt. Spokesman Lincoln White emphasizing, however - that our government has no confirmation of the reports. He added, that if they are true - Communist armament for Egypt would be a violation of the U.N. resolution.

EGYPT

Egypt is having - a spy trial. Twenty defendants - named in an indictment. Four of them - British business men. The prosecution - demanding the death penalty for two of the Britons. And - for nine Egyptians.

The Egyptians charge that James Swinburn, employee of a British-Arab news agency, and James Zarb, Manager of a ceramics factory, were key figures in a huge spy ring. They were arrested, a couple of months before the invasion of Suez - in a round-up which was prominent in the news at the time.

EUROPE

Britain, today, made a proposal - for an economic union of Western Europe. Suggesting - an elimination of tariffs, quotas, and other trade restrictions. Covering every sort of merchandise - except agricultural products. In other words - a free trade area.

The plan - drawn up by Prime Minister Harold Macmillan, And put forward - in a government "White Paper".

Six countries on the continent are planning a customs union among themselves - France, West Germany, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg. ~~Abolishing trade barriers among themselves. And setting up a tariff wall against non-members.~~ So the British now say - they'd like to join this West European economic bloc, But, with a qualification - that agricultural products be exempt. The British - wanting to protect their own agriculture. Also - providing that Britain may continue its present economic relations ~~at~~ with countries of the Commonwealth. Which are

given - preferential treatment.

This could mean a lot. Western Europe - acting as one country, in economic matters.

SPAIN

Rioting, today - in Madrid. A thousand university students shouting - "Liberty, liberty!" An incendiary word - in Franco Spain.

There's much public discontent because of the way the Spanish cost of living has been rising. And, as a protest - a boycott of the transport lines. In downtown Madrid - street cars, buses and subway were nearly empty, this morning.

The students, backing the boycott, took the occasion to raise the cry of - liberty. But strong forces of police intervened - and quickly broke up the demonstration.

IRELAND

An Irish election - wouldn't be complete, without an oddity or two. So, on the Emerald Isle, the candidates of one political party - are all in jail. The party won't nominate anybody - unless he's looking out through the bars.

It's the political wing of the Irish Republican Army. The outlawed I.R.A. - which raises Cain in Ulster. A spokesman stating that, for the forthcoming election, they'll name - imprisoned members of the I.R.A. Although you can hardly say - they^{re} running for office. You can't run far - in jail.

NATO

Now, ladies - what is Nato? The question was propounded in Germany - to one hundred women, frau and fraulein. A political association - investigating their comprehension of the international situation.

So what did they answer? One fraulein replied - Nato is a soap powder. While Frau Schmidt responded - Nato is a baby food. Forty-seven out of a hundred - gave wrong answers, like that. ~~And~~ ^P I'm sure American womanhood is much better informed. You wouldn't hear Miss America say - "Hand me the Nato, and I'll clean the pots and pans." Nor would you hear an American mother say, - "Give me the bottle of Nato for the baby."

ATOMIC

Three scientists of Columbia University give a report - on the dangers of radioactive fall-out. Saying, the amount of Strontium 90, the dangerous material, has caused no appreciable damage, as yet. But it's a danger - although, ~~today~~ to date, human beings have absorbed only a small fraction of the amount the body can safely handle.

DRAFT

Congress - asked urgently to order military training for some three million, seven hundred thousand young men - now immune from the draft. Young fathers - and 4-F's.

Today, Selective Service Director Lewis Hershey testified before a Sub-Committee, investigating problems of the National Guard and the Reserve. He said that seven million, now deferred - would be useful for the Reserve program.

UNION

A Senate Committee, today, voted for the prosecution of Union officials - four leaders of the Teamsters Union, who refused, recently - to testify at a hearing on the subject of racketeering. Challenging - the authority of the Committee to investigate Union affairs.

Top man among the four - Einar Mohn, Vice-President of the Teamsters Union. He's Executive Assistant to Dave Beck, the Union President. Beck, who has left the country, on a trip abroad.

At the same time, Senator Douglas of Illinois is preparing legislation in the Senate - to guard against Union racketeering. The suggested legislation would require that most welfare and pension benefit plans - be registered with the government. And unions would have to make financial reports - to their members. Senator Douglas pointing to evidence of embezzlement and other forms of corruption. What he called - "shocking abuses."

Church team - playing the prison team.

The surrender of the mutineers came, today - when the Governor agreed to conditions they made. Their grievances - to be published. News reporters interviewed a couple of the convicts, and got their story - their complaints.

Governor George Clyde promised - there would be no reprisals. Although there will be punishment - for damage done. The convicts - having set fires, broken windows, and ripped out plumbing. Smashing things - in general. Smoke - still pouring from a prison warehouse - when the surrender came.

ELEPHANT

Now - I'd like to give a warning to William Negley of San Antonio, Texas. Telling him - that an arrow stuck in the hide of an African bull elephant is likely to make the pachyderm angry. Which warning would seem to be in order - judging from a dispatch from San Antonio.

Brother Negley, an independent oil producer, went over to Africa last year. Hunting elephants - with a rifle. And came back - talking like a Texan. Saying - elephant shooting was much too easy. He bagged four big tuskers, and figured - he might as well try something difficult. As, for example - hunting ^{elephant} with a bow and arrow.

Which made a friend of his laugh. ~~So~~ They got into an argument - and ~~they~~ made a ten thousand dollar bet. Negley to get that much - if he succeeded in bagging an elephant with a bow and arrow.

So he started practicing - and, thus far, has been able to shoot a deer. Which, apparently - is enough encouragement. He's not quite sure that his bow will drive an

arrow deep enough to down an elephant - but he's going to try.

Getting ready to sail for Africa - this Texas nimrod - Robinhood - William Tell; all - rolled in one. Arthur Godfrey is also heading for Africa. I think I'll call him up and suggest that he be a safe distance away - when this Texan starts shooting arrows into that bull elephant. Although on second thought maybe it'll work. My son, Lowell Jr., (who's out at Alta, Utah tonight I believe) he and his wife Tay, in their new book "Flight To Adventure" tell how a pygmy actually ran under the belly of an elephant and killed it with his spear. So Henry - maybe I should urge Arthur Godfrey to run under an elephant and try spearing it!