

L.T.-OLDS. FRIDAY, JAN. 22, 1960.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

DeGaulle, today - fired Massu. Ousting him from his post - as Army Commander in Algeria.

Determined action by DeGaulle - to deter opposition to his plan for self-determination in Algeria. The dismissal of General Massu bringing on a showdown with Right Wing settlers, who fear that Algerian independence will put them under the domination of the Moslems.

Year before last, General Charles DeGaulle was raised to power by a revolt of Right Wingers in Algeria. General Massu - their leader in the pro-DeGaulle movement.

But the French colonists have now changed their opinion of DeGaulle. General Massu - changing his opinion too. Leaving him - the hero of the Right Wingers.

Recently, he was quoted as saying - that the French Army had made a mistake in backing DeGaulle. He denies he said it; but his attitude has been ambiguous. So, now - he's out.

When the news became known in Algeria, an angry protest. A mass meeting - with speakers hurling defiance. One declaring: "If we have to, we will look for General Massu in Paris." Sounds like a threat of invading Paris.

Today, in the city of ALGIERS, Right Wingers driving their cars - tooted their horns with a rhythm of telegraphic signals Meaning - Algeria is French. The automobile horns - tooting defiance of DeGaulle's program for Algerian self determination.

Shortly before the news of the dismissal of General Massu came out, there was an announcement - that President DeGaulle will visit Algeria early next month, to line up support - for his policy.

Looks as if the tall General might have - a
hostile reception.

SMALLPOX

In Moscow, today, tourists and other visitors -
were taken to clinics to be vaccinated. ~~This~~ Following - an outbreak
of small-pox in the Soviet capital. Nine cases - reported.
Not many - but you don't take chances with small-pox.

They say the disease was brought from India - by a
Russian artist, who contracted it there. Now threatening an
epidemic. The Soviets - reporting the outbreak of small-pox to
the World Health Organization. Stating - that "all necessary
steps" are being taken.

SOUTH AFRICA

What
Here's a grim headline *that* ~~the worst~~ mine disaster in
~~the history of~~ *The* South Africa. A coal mine catastrophe - when
immense masses of rock and coal collapsed. Blocking the escape
of miners - in the deep shafts. From *four* ~~over~~ to five hundred -
the figure, uncertain. Nearly all - Africans. With six white
men - among the victims. Hope - virtually abandoned. Because
the deep shafts are filled - with deadly methane gas.

PRICES

Here's ~~News~~ news; - a decline in the cost of living. The government reports - a decrease of one-tenth of one per cent, in December. The first - after four months of edging upward. The December decline - represented by lower costs for food, clothing, and other kinds of merchandise.

Spears ^{explained -} ~~declaring~~ that he was taking advantage of the mistaken identity. ~~XX~~ He said it would enable him to get away from his own life - an ex-convict, and under new charges. At the same time, his wife could collect his insurance, for herself and their two small children. He had accident insurance for ten thousand dollars - and had taken out ^{one} ~~one~~ hundred thousand dollars' worth of aviation insurance.

Mrs. Spears asked him - if he had anything to do with the crash of the airliner? (That's a key question - a suspicion that Dr. Spears may have brought about an explosion aboard the plane. With himself, apparently, one of the victims. Which would enable his wife to collect - the heavy insurance.)

She says he denied having anything to do with the air disaster. He was merely taking advantage of the fact that his friend, Taylor, had taken his place aboard the plane.

He met his wife once again. She says she told him to give himself up, and reveal the truth. But he refused.

She kept the secret and collected - on the ten

thousand dollar accident policy. Though - making no attempt to get any money from the one hundred thousand dollars ⁱⁿ flight insurance. She also probated his will - which left her some twenty-five thousand dollars.

So that's the story told by the wife. Spears - informed of it. But showing - no sign of worry. ^{He} He was also told of the discovery of dynamite, which, they say, belonged to him. Also - the finding of dynamite caps in his luggage.

~~This, seemingly, did not cause him any worry.~~

Although ^{The} word is - that the F.B.I. hopes the evidence of explosives - may persuade him to confess. If, indeed - he did sabotage the airliner.

CAMBRIDGE

Now - we have Cyrano de Bergerac in real life.

That hero with a huge nose - who, in the play, makes a noble self sacrifice. The poet - who wrote sentimental verses for his rival in love. Poems - with which the rival won the girl.

Cyrano de Bergerac - coming to life *at* the University of Cambridge, where several students, with the gift of versifying, have set up in business, writing love poems - for fellow students - who have - no talent for poetry. Lyrics - ^{unpoetical} for the fellow students to pass off as their own, in wooing, and presumably winning - the loved one.

However, those Cambridge poets are not so noble and self sacrificing. ^{They have} ~~They~~ put it on a business basis - for money.

Charge? - sixty cents for a sonnet. Thirty cents for an ode.

Dick, how about 30 cents worth of ode from you?

FIRST LORD

Here's a dispatch - so apt, so perfect. It will
fill you - with admiration. (

^ From Portsmouth, England, the great British naval
base, ^ telling - about Lord Carrington, ^ who has just been
appointed - First Lord of the Admiralty. Today, Lord Carrington -
made his first voyage aboard a naval vessel. The new First Lord
of the Admiralty - had never traveled on a warship before!
His initial trip? - ^{Oh, only a couple of} ~~sailing several~~ hundred yards, ^ aboard a
minesweeper, ^ today.

Gilbert and Sullivan -- come to life. H.M.S. Pinafore -
in ~~an~~ reality. Remember - the First Lord of the Admiralty,
and his memorable song, ^ telling - how he trained for
seamanship in a lawyer's office. ^ (When he sings:

"Of legal knowledge I acquired such a grip,
That they took me into the partnership.
And that junior partnership I ween
Was the only ship I ever had seen.
But that kind of ship so suited me,
That now I am the ruler of the Queen's Navee.")

Then - his final philosophy:

"Now landsmen all, whoever you may be,
If you want to rise to the top of the tree.
If your soul isn't fettered to an office stool,
Be careful to be guided by this golden rule.
Stick close to your desk and never go to sea,
And you all may be rulers of the Queen's Navee."

Funny? Yes, but ^{now it has} ~~it~~ really happened - in England, —

today!

~~Note for Mr. Thomas:~~

~~(The verses should have the accented rhythm of a ditty)~~