

SUB BROWNELL L.T.-W. Fri, Apr. 9 - '54.

Attorney General Brownell, tonight, discloses one thing- of the highest interest. Indicating - that our own intelligence services are able to reach behind the iron curtain and procure information.

He said that, in February of Nineteen Fifty-Three, the F B I came up with word - that Stalin was ill. Which was then a closely guarded secret of the Kremlin. That Malenkov was acting for the stricken dictator - and would succeed him as Premier. All of which came true. Stalin's death in March, Malenkov taking his place.

The Attorney General was on television and radio tonight - urging legislation to give the Department of Justice greater means of combating Communism. "New and powerful constitutional weapons," said Brownell.

He took a moderate tone, reflecting the ^{coolheadedness} ~~coolheadedness~~ of President Eisenhower. Brownell saying: "Although we must

be constantly alert to the danger of Communist infiltration,
we should not have exaggerated fears of the dangers."

UNEMPLOYMENT

The Labor Department announces - the "first break" in the rise of unemployment. The first sign of an actual decline - since Last autumn. Secretary Mitchell states that, in March, there was a sharp decrease in unemployment compensation claims. The number dropping - some eighty thousand.

Unemployment compensation claims are ^a significant index, and give a sign that the unemployment situation is improving. Fewer - unemployed.

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MCCARTHY

The Senate hearing in the Army-McCarthy feud is being delayed - one day. Put off - from April twenty-first to the twenty-second. The story behind this - a mixup to create astonishment, if not chagrin, in one of the states of the union. Texas- mighty Texas.

On the original date for the hearing, Joe McCarthy has a speaking date - in the Lone Star State. So - didn't they know about that? Temporary Chairman Senator Mundt says - no, he was not aware. Although - Senator McCarthy told him. Which sounds like a contradiction - but here's ^{how Senator} ~~another~~ Mundt of South Dakota, explains it! The explanation - enough to make a Texan ~~be~~ roar.

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(Senator McCarthy will speak at the old battlefield of San Jacinto. Which, for Texans, is like Bunker Hill and Yorktown combined - for other Americans.)

Well, when Poor Senator Mundt heard about this today, he hastily changed the date of the hearing from Texas Independence Day to April twenty-second.

MCCARTHY-BISHOP

Senator McCarthy was under attack- today - by a Roman Catholic Bishop. Who spoke - scathing words. Addressing a C I O convention, Bishop Bernard Shell, of Chicago, said that the Senator from Wisconsin was acting - "like a man on horseback." Threatening American freedoms.

Senator McCarthy is a Catholic, and the following are the words, of a Co-religionist of his: "In my view," said the Bishop, "we've been the victims, in the past few years, of a kind of shell game. We have been treated like country rubes, taken in by a city slicker from Appleton."

Appleton, Wisconsin - being the McCarthy home town.

MCCARTHY - SCHINE

At Fort Dix, New Jersey, the Army has returned - a check for one hundred dollars. Sending the money back to retired Major General Arthur Wilson, now a business man in Europe. Which means, of course, that the Army is not carrying out the plan ~~proposed~~ proposed by General Wilson. He sent the check, posting it as a reward ^{to the} ~~for~~ - "first tough non-com" ^{to} ~~who~~ socked Private David Schine in the nose. Wilson saying - that Schine should have been smacked in the beezzer long ago.

Private Schine is, as we all know, a former adviser to the McCarthy sub-committee. Former member of the team of Cohn and Schine. A number one character - in that Army-
McCarthy feud. So the General's feelings are understandable.

But the business of punching Private Schine in the nose might seem to be - a puzzle. For one thing, he's a husky individual. And - he's now serving as a military policeman. Do you see soldiers going around, punching M P's ~~in~~ in the nose? A retired General - should know better.

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said to
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Europe tomorrow - to confer with French and British
afternoon, concerning a hydrogen bomb proposal, offered
authorities on Indo China. A warning - that, if the Chinese
by India. At the U N India is urging an international
Kens continue to foment the rebellion in Indo China, it would
agreement to halt H-bomb tests. The U N - to do something
and retaliation. But, in Paris today, Premier Laniel told
about it. The American answer is - that the question should
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DULLES

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles flies to Europe tomorrow - to confer with French and British authorities on Indo China. A warning - that, if the Chinese Reds continue to foment the rebellion in Indo China, it could mean retaliation. But, in Paris today, Premier Laniel told the National Assembly that France insists on having - liberty of action. Doesn't want to be tied up by any commitment - upon ~~going~~ going into the Geneva conference ^{on} April twenty-eightth. France -- refusing to pledge a finish fight in Indo China. Wanting to be free -- and negotiate a peaceful settlement, if possible.

INDO CHINA WAR

News from Indo-China pictures a violent artillery duel - broken off suddenly by the Reds.

They hurled a thundering cannonade at the fortress of Dien Bien Phu. French gunners - shooting back with a hail of shellfire. The Red cannonade was considered a prelude before another mass assault. But, as the day ended, those enemy guns fell silent. One guess being - that the Communists had run short of ammunition.

(Another important bit of war news from out there is - the weather. Thunder showers today, over the jungle - scattered rain squalls. Like signs of the monsoon - which, when it comes, will wash out the siege of Dien Bien Phu. The monsoon - due in ten days or two weeks. But, it might arrive earlier - judging by ~~the~~ rainstorms here and there, today.)

PALESTINE

Israel charges Egypt with four border attacks - last night and early today. On the southern desert, near the Sinai peninsula - a troubled frontier.

The Tel Aviv government says - that ~~Egypt~~ Egyptians ambushed a military vehicle. Two Israelis - wounded. Shortly afterward, Egyptian soldiers hurled hand grenades and fired a machine gun at a Jewish outpost. One man killed, and a number wounded. At another place, Egyptian regulars attacked an Israeli truck- and there was an Egyptian raid against a Jewish settlement on the border.

Such are the charges made by the Jewish state in a complaint to the U N Armistice Commission today.

PLANE

A dispatch from London announces - the end of the Comets. That's what it amounts to, virtually.

Those British jet airliners - hailed as the new miracle ~~and~~ of speed in transportation. All - now grounded. Withdrawn from passenger service. Following - the explosion and crash of a comet in the Mediterranean yesterday. All lives lost - twenty-one.

It was the third similar disaster, with heavy loss of life. Last year - a Comet lost at Karachi, India. ~~in~~ In January - a similar catastrophe off the coast of Elba. The comets were then grounded, temporarily - then put back into service. But now, the latest misfortune - off the coast of Italy.

(Today, Sir Miles Thomas, Chairman of ~~the~~ British Overseas Airways, declared: "We have had three inexplicable tragedies. They all followed a certain pattern, on reaching or approaching maximum altitude, at full power.")

In each case, the jet airliner was climbing to gain altitude, soon after the take off. When, there was an explosion.)

The company says the comets will be used no more

-- until the cause of the accidents has been discovered,

and rectified. ⁵⁰ The belief in London is that the jet airliners are grounded - permanently.

Big time gambler Joe Adonis got a prison sentence today - eight months to two years. Convicted - of perjury, when he told the Kefauver crime committee that he was an American citizen.

At the trial, evidence was presented, showing that Adonis was born in Italy, and was never naturalized in this country. He claimed he was born over here. Now sentenced to prison - later to be deported back to Italy.

BOMB

They've solved the bomb mystery - at Pittsboro, North Carolina. Today, a young mechanic shot himself - a virtual confession. ~~It was he who~~, ^{he} Three years ago, placed the bomb that killed William Cochrane in his automobile. And, the day before yesterday - he tried to murder Cochran's young widow, with a bomb in her motor car. Luckily, the crude, home-made bomb was discovered.

Three years ago, suspicion was fixed on Henry George Smith. Who had gone to school with Mrs. Imogene Cochrane - a childhood admirer. But there was not enough evidence against him for a prosecution,

It is clear, now, that he was bitterly jealous when she married - and he murdered her husband. Recently, the young widow announced her engagement to a local town councilman. Which led the disappointed admirer to make an attempt on her life.

The police ordered his arrest - for questioning.

But he disappeared. And today - his body was found in a patch of woods behind Mrs. Cochrane's childhood home. Where he had known her - as they grew up together.

South Texas tonight and tomorrow night. It rained today - but it wasn't heavy. They've been having a devastating drought in the lower valley of the Rio Grande. Then, today, eight inches of rain fell. Flash floods at various places. *With nearly everybody sleeping in harness and blankets. Hurrah for the deluge.*

WEATHER

South Texas, tonight, can surely say: It never rains - but it pours. They've been having a devastating drought, in the lower valley of the Rio Grande. Then, today, eight inches of rain fell. Flash floods at various places. *With nearly everybody cheering: -*
~~The farmers are saying:~~ "Hurrah for the deluge."

Mexico - and of super-cold conditions along the polar shore.
So today, the medical team landed at Cambridge Bay, one
hundred miles north of the Arctic Circle. *Ed* - who
will study the Eskimo, with all the resources of science.
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arrive by dog team at Cambridge Bay.
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the polar shore.

ESKIMO

Today, in the Arctic North, a big plane was flying through the sky, when its occupants noted - dog teams on the ground. They nodded - okay. They were the doctors, and the patients were on their way - by dog team.

Canada is making a survey of the teeth of the Eskimo - and of tubercular conditions along the polar shore. So today, the medical team landed at Cambridge Bay, one hundred miles north of the Arctic Circle. Radiologists - who will study the eskimo, with all the resources of x-ray. Twelve hundred of the people of the igloos - ~~are~~ expected to arrive by dog team at Cambridge Bay.

The eskimo tend to suffer from tooth decay, ~~and~~ ^{and} there'll be dental treatment. A lot less toothache - along the polar shore.

JOB DIAGNOSIS - BIBLE

Over in London, a doctor gives a diagnosis of a patient. And the word "patient" is surely correct. There's an age-old expression - the "patience of Job."

That Biblical patriarch - who endured so many trials and tribulations. Dr. Cederic Harvey says that Job suffered from - psychosomatic dermatitis. Which diagnosis is published in the "Lancet", the most authoritative British medical journal.

Well, the Bible tells us how Job was afflicted by - a dread malady. One - of his trials and tribulations. The Book of Job describes it in these words - "sore boils from the sole of his foot to his crown."

The doctor notes that, in addition, Job had terrifying dreams and woeful anxieties. Adding up the symptoms, he says - psychosomatic dermatitis. A skin disease - brought on by fears and worries.

All of which contradicts a previous diagnosis made by a New York physician and medical historian, Dr. Charles

Brim. He gave the opinion that Job's illness was -

"pellagra." Which is caused by - vitamin deficiency.

So the doctors disagree - in the case of that most famous of patients. A cynic might remark that, when you deal with doctors - you need the "patience of Job."

ATLANTA

Atlanta is going to have the noisiest "noise abatement" week on record. The city planning "quietude and silence," But there'll be the - loudest rumpus you ever heard. All - because of a mix-up. The Women's Chamber of Commerce - scheduling both events, noiseless and noisy, at the same time.

They have a "clean-up" committee, which scheduled a huge demonstration on April fourteenth. A big parade - with brass bands. Police cars - with wailing sirens. Navy jet planes - roaring overhead.

Having got all that uproar arranged, the ladies found that, by some oversight - they had scheduled it for the middle of "noise abatement" week. Which had been planned by another committee of the Women's Chamber of Commerce.

The two celebrations, ear splitting and silent, all tangled up - and it can't be changed.

Today, Mrs. Amber Anderson, President of the Women's Chamber of Commerce, explained: "We got our wires crossed. But," she added, "it's gone too far to change dates now. I do

hope," she sighed, "that everybody takes it with a laugh."

So now, ^{Harry —} let's have a chuckle or two, to begin
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the laugh - at Atlanta's noisy "noise abatement" week.

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