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(Given by Walter Cronkite)

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

At Buckingham Palace, today, all was - Yankee Doodle. Queen Elizabeth - holding the first All-American royal reception on record. A garden party - for the members of the American Bar Association. Five thousand lawyers from the U.S.A. - visiting London.

The Yankee Doodle aspect was noted surprisingly in the edibles that were served. The orthodox menu of a British garden party consists of crumpets, small rolls, thin sandwiches, and tiny cakes. But, in the garden at Buckingham Palace, today - hot dogs and hamburgers. In honor - of the five thousand American lawyers.

But don't imagine that the American aspect was one hundred per cent. The frankfurters were about an inch and a half long, folded daintily in a small roll.

The hamburgers, on a sweet bun - about the size of an old time silver dollar. Yes, there will always be an England.

ADD OMAN

On the Arabian desert, meanwhile, the Sultan of Muscat and Oman denies reports of a mutiny among his own soldiers. A spokesman admitted that there had been some minor difficulties when leaves were cancelled in an outfit of Scouts - expected to play a leading part in the land campaign against the rebels.

WRECK

Near the town of Nourse, Manitoba, yesterday, two small boys were fooling around with a railroad switch. They threw the switch open, and then realized they ought to close it. They tried - but couldn't do it.

Then, later, along came the Continental Express of the Canadian National Railways - speeding at sixty miles an hour with nearly four hundred passengers aboard. The train hit the open switch. Locomotives and cars - running off the track. A derailment - and a pile-up. Eighty-six persons - injured.

Today, the police of Winnipeg say the two small boys have admitted - they tampered with the switch. The railroad says the damage to the crack train will run as high as a million dollars.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Senator Knowland of California declares - he has gained added support for his fight in the controversy over ^{the} Civil Rights Bill. He's battling - against an amendment to write into the measure a guarantee of jury trials, and says that, over the weekend, some Senators, Democrats as well as Republicans, have come around to his view. Which, of course, is based on the supposition, that Southern juries would not convict - in racial cases. Hence that feature of the Civil Rights Bill - which would have charges of contempt of court argued before a judge.

On the other hand, the supporters of the jury trial amendment insist - they're confident of a victory. The only thing agreed on is - that the vote will be close.

COUNTERFEIT

The United States government, it seems, owes twelve thousand dollars - to people who can't be found. Which curious fact now comes to light - as a result of a study of the life of Emanuel Ninger. Who was renowned - in the art of spurious money. Considered - the most artistic of all counterfeiters. The U.S. Treasury owes real money to the heirs - of this gifted fabricator of twenty, fifty and one hundred dollar bills.

The record shows that Emanuel Ninger, with a blonde beard and a talent for devious art, came to this country from Germany in Eighteen Eighty-Two. Listed - as a "sign painter." But, in this land of opportunity, he didn't paint signs for long. He turned out counterfeit - so clever that some of his masterpieces are framed on the walls of the Secret Service in Washington.

No phoney realist - this artist. Reproducing money, he'd leave out various details, even whole words. But with such subtlety, the people would think they were seeing what was missing.

But, finally, the Secret Service caught up with Ninger, and sent him to prison. From which he was released in the year Nineteen Hundred - and vanished. Nobody knowing - what happened to him after that.

Recently, an author, preparing a book on counterfeit, investigated the case. Murray Teigh Bloom - who discovered the following: When the Secret Service arrested Ninger, they found a lot of counterfeit, and also some real money. Which they took away - but should have returned. The amount - three hundred and fifty dollars. Which the U.S. Treasury now owes to Ninger's heirs - plus compound interest. Bringing the sum up - to twelve thousand dollars. Author Bloom has been looking for possible heirs - but in vain.

Meanwhile, the compound interest is accumulating - and, in time, the Treasury may owe millions. To the heirs, if any - of the most artistic counterfeiters of them all.

SPIES

The spy story from West Germany features an old sentimental theme - childhood friends. Two women - who knew each other back in their school days.

Irene Asch, a German woman, accused of trying to recruit an official of American Intelligence for Soviet espionage. Red secret agents giving her the job - because she knew the wife of the American official, had known her since childhood.

The moment he suspected the scheme, the husband notified his own superiors - who told him to go ahead, and pretend he was interested. Whereupon Irene Asch gave him valuable presents - money, furs, expensive cameras. Telling him - the Russians would pay well. Tonight, she is being held by the West German police - the Soviet agent who had imposed on a girlhood friendship.

At the same time, another German went on trial in West Germany today - accused of working for Soviet Intelligence. While a telephone operators at the West German Embassy in Moscow.

GERMAN UNIFICATION

Today, the West proposed a new plan to reunify Germany. Calling - for free elections. Rejecting - Russian demands for negotiations between West Germany and stellite East Germany. And insisting - that a reunified Germany must be free to choose its own alliances. Which denies Russian demands - for a German withdrawal from Nato.

In a joint statement, the Western powers, together with West Germany, declared themselves ready to hold a top level conference with Soviet Russia.

There's an immediate response from East Germany - the Reds rejecting the terms laid out. Probably, Moscow will also reject.

ANDERSON

In Washington today, Robert Anderson of Texas became - a bureaucrat. That's the way you could phrase it - taking a cue from President Eisenhower.

At the White House, the new Secretary of the Treasury took the oath of office - with President Eisenhower holding the Bible. Standing nearby - retiring Secretary George Humphrey.

When the ceremony was done, Mr. Eisenhower turned, with a grin, to Humphrey. Saying - "George, now you're just an ex-bureaucrat."

Whereupon the new Secretary, Anderson, illustrated - by turning to his predecessor, and selling him a hundred dollar Savings Bond.

OMAN

In the disturbance on the south Arabian desert, British jet planes made their heaviest attack, today - against rebel tribesmen. Hitherto, the air strikes against an insurgent stronghold were made by one or two planes. Today - ten venam jets, firing cannon and rockets.

However, signs of indecisions were noted. The squadron of warplanes waited on the ground for eight hours - before orders came for them to go into action.

At the same time, ground soldiers were mustered at the Buraimi oasis. Two companies of the Highland regiment. But, at last reports, they were waiting for orders from London.

In the House of Commons, Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd informed the M.P.'s - that the Sultan of Muscat and Oman had formally requested maximum military and air support. But the Foreign Secretary added: "This is as much a political operation as a military operation."

It was planned that the military side should be kept within as small limits as possible", said he.

Britain seems a bit puzzled - what to do about this new flare of trouble in the Middle East. A small disturbance - but politically dangerous.

COMMUNIST FRONT

The Attorney General's office today put the label of "subversive" on two organizations. The Civil Rights Congress and the American Peace Crusade - called "Communist Front". And ordered, under the law - to register with the Attorney General.

The decisions, by the Subversive Activities Control Board - were unanimous.

The two organizations will, it is expected, appeal to the courts.

DR. SHEPPARD

At DeLand, Florida - the statement that a confession will be signed tomorrow. Exonerating Dr. Samuel Sheppard, the Cleveland physician convicted for the murder of his wife, and given a life sentence in prison. This emanates from two lawyers, who defended Dr. Sheppard. They say the actual killer was Donald Joseph Wedler - with whom they talked, in Florida, today.

This grows out of an investigation by the "court of last resort", sponsored by Argosy Magazine and headed by mystery writer Erle Stanley Gardner.

Authorities in Cleveland call the story told by Wedler - "a hoax". They say they questioned him and found his account full of discrepancies. But the two lawyers for Dr. Sheppard are of a contrary opinion. Saying - a confession will be typed, and Wedler has agreed to sign it.

MEXICO.

The after shocks in Mexico, today, were mild - nothing like the violent earthquakes that created havoc yesterday. Still, they were serious -, threatening to topple structures already damaged. Today in Mexico City, two large office buildings were ordered evacuated - for fear they might come crashing down on the people inside.

The official death list now stands at fifty-five - forty in Mexico City alone. But the worst report now turns out to be false - the rumor that seventy-two lives have been lost in a flood caused by the earthquakes.

No Americans were killed. But, today, tourists were on their way home. Frightened away - by the violence of the earthquakes.

FIGHT

At the preliminaries of tonight's boxing bout - Hurricane Jackson is by far the more ferocious. When the challenger weighed in with the champion, today, he glared at Floyd Patterson, and growled: "This won't be like the first time. There's no friendship, and I'm going to take care of you this time."

It appears that the two pugilists were on amiable terms the last time they met, and Hurricane Jackson intimates that he lost a split decision - because of friendly feelings. You just don't hit a pal too hard. But, this time, he's a mortal enemy.

The champion took the menace serenely. Merely saying "You can try."

Twenty-two year old Floyd Patterson, the youngest of heavyweight champions, was notably calm throughout the weighing-in ceremony. So calm, he yawned several times.

GUATEMALA

At Guatemala City, nine members of the presidential guard have been arrested - in the belief that they were implicated in the assassination of President Carlos Castillo Armas. Those arrested include two officers, a Major and a lieutenant.

The official announcement explains that there was a suspicion at first that the assassin, Guard Romeo Vazquez Sanchez had acted alone - when he shot President Castillo Amas, and then committed suicide immediately after.

One suspicious fact was that, on the night of the crime, Friday, Vazquez Sanchez exchanged places with another guard, Jose Antonio Ordinez. Which gave Vazquez Sanchez the opportunity to commit the assassination. And the exchange of places was made with the approval of Corporal Hernandez Alonso.

Ordinez and Hornandez Alonso were arrested, and both have admitted their guilt - according to the

official communique. Which adds that the purpose of the crime was to restore to power former President Juan Jose Arevelo - a pro-Communist, whose place was taken by Costillo Armas.

One of the strangest of all the facts is - that the assassin was expelled from the Guatemalan army two years ago because of pro-Communism. Later he was given a job in the Guatemalan television station - but was dismissed a couple of weeks later, as a "suspicious individual". Nevertheless, he succeeded in getting into the presidential guard last June. A strange individual - to be protecting an anti-Communist President.