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PRECEDE IRAN

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(The Iranians have seized the great oil refineries at Abadan) but that doesn't mean they have expelled the British technicians. Tonight soldiers marched to the huge refining plant, and took possession -- locking the gates against the British employees who ^{WERE} ~~WAS~~ at their homes. (Later ten top ranking ^{British} technicians were permitted to enter, but the rest of the three hundred were kept out.)

~~From here on the story can continue as is, but be sure to drop that bulletin piece.~~

IRAN

Today the British Cabinet met in an emergency session - and took the advice of President Truman. (London had asked for American mediation in the Iranian oil dispute, and the Truman advice was - not to try military force. At the same time, the President advised the Iranian Government - not to expel the British technicians at Abadan.) How Iran will respond remains to be seen, but the London Cabinet postponed a decision, and did not order - military force.

~~The United States is ~~afraid~~ afraid that if British troops are landed in Iran, Soviet Russia might also push in, according to a treaty with Iran. But, if the British technicians are expelled, it will be a bad blow to British prestige in the Middle East. The hope is that the Iranians will also heed the Truman advice - and go easy.~~

In Teheran today, Premier Mossadegh made a frantic speech to a frantic crowd. He shouted defiance to Britain.

(The crowd responded with ferocious yells: "Let us ~~kill~~ kill!")

let us ~~shed~~ shed blood! Down with the British! death to them!")

Whereupon the aged Premier took a different line, and made an emotional appeal. "Don't say death to them," he cried. "They are our friends. Say - 'May God Almighty guide England.'" Saying that, he burst into tears and so did the crowd.

Mossadegh went on with his address, and got all excited again. Somebody threw a bouquet of flowers to him - and he fainted. He keeled ^{over} ~~off~~ and was carried home.

Hardly
~~Doesn't sound like~~ a rational atmosphere for sound statesmanship.

~~But things haven't been rational in Iran for months now.~~

~~Word just is: The Iranians have ejected the British technicians at Abadan - or rather kicked them out of the refineries.~~

KOREA

The business of a truce in Korea seems to be in a final critical stage. (Supreme Commander Ridgway has offered what might well be a last compromise proposal. He says that, if the Reds will agree to transfer the truce talks to another place, the U.N. will ~~re~~ resume the meetings at once.) No reply as yet - from the Communists. The prospects are not bright. Indications are that the Reds will insist on Kaesong - the place that has been made virtually impossible by the repeated charges of neutrality violations.

Today the ~~the~~ battle of the air continued, with a great swirl of jet planes. A couple of M.I.G.'s damaged - all our jets returned to their base. Which sounds indecisive, if not futile. But the report from the front is that the big battles of jet have kept the enemy fighters from getting at the American planes, blasting the Red supply lines. The air attacks on ~~the~~ ^{enemy} transport are ~~cutting off~~ cutting off reinforcements and supplies, in the light of which, our jets are doing a successful job.

On the ground, the fighting goes on, with U.N. troops today capturing a vital hill northwest of Yanggu. This is the second important hill position they have taken in two days.



ADD_KOREA

The latest -- (a sudden explosion of Red attacks across the entire battlefront. A dispatch just in tells that enemy assaults along a line of sixty miles.) Units, ranging in size from platoon to regiment -- surging forward.

GRAVES

There are
^ protests in Congress over the removal of white crosses
from the graves of thirteen thousand American war dead in
Hawaii - the national memorial cemetery there. The Army says
it's not the usual policy to have crosses. Also, it made the
upkeep too expensive. But veterans' organizations are
protesting, and this now is echoed in Congress.

WEST GERMANY

The West German Parliament took a vote today, endorsing a declaration by Chancellor Adenauer. The majority was ~~an~~ overwhelming, all the political parties joining, rising for a standing vote. The drama lies in the nature of the declaration, which was - that (the German nation accepts responsibility for the crime and injury inflicted by Hitler and the Nazis - on the Jewish people. P Chancellor Adenauer expressed the will of his government to make reparation for Jewish losses - and ~~make~~ ^{pay} compensation to victims or their survivors. This, to be arranged by negotiation with the government of Israel and other Jewish leaders.) He noted, however, that Germany has only limited ability to pay - because the Jewish losses were so enormous, and because^o the Germans now are already providing for so many war victims and refugees.

Backed by the overwhelming vote of the West German Parliament today, the Chancellor hoped that a settlement could be made. Which would, in his words, "put the relationship between the Jews and the people of Germany on a new and healthy basis."

KING

(King George the Sixth has appointed a Council of State to carry out the royal duties, while he recuperates from the lung operation. The Council consists of members of the royal family.) The King's wife, Queen Elizabeth, His daughters, Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret, His younger brother, the Duke of Gloucester, ^{and} His only sister, Princess Royal Mary.

~~It is pointed out in London that the naming of a~~
~~royal Council is customary whenever a sovereign is~~
~~incapacitated by illness or is on a protracted journey outside~~
~~Great Britain. So today's act has little relation to the~~
~~condition of the King.~~ ^P Actually, (the medical reports are favorable - George the Sixth continuing to recuperate.) He is stronger, his appetite better. Moreover, the visit of Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh to Canada is on schedule ~~postponed~~ again, having been postponed. It will begin October Ninth, if the King continues to improve.

(President Truman, today, proposed that political office holders be required to make public reports of ^{any} ~~their~~ "outside income." Disclose - anything they may receive, in addition to their regular salary.) This, in a surprise message to both Houses of Congress. Sounds timely - in view of recent revelations of gifts made to ^{present administration} federal officials - especially by companies getting or seeking R. F.C. loans.

The President includes - political party leaders, not in the government. Which would apply to the National Chairman of the two major Parties. Democratic National Chairman William Boyle is, right now, being questioned about fees he received from that Lithofold outfit - which got a big government loan. ~~At the same time, G. O. P. National Chairman Guy Gabrielson has been attacked by fellow Republicans on similar grounds - that he approached the R.F.C. in connection with loans to a company of which he is President.~~

The President's proposal ~~also~~ includes - judges,

generals and admirals, ~~And~~ - members of Congress. These latter come in for mention as follows: "There are sometimes cases where members of the executive and legislative branches of the government yield to temptation and let their public acts be swayed by private interests," says the presidential message. "Legislative" meaning - Congress.

That arouses the ire of a number of Senators and Representatives - who are irritated further by what the President goes on to say. He explains that ~~reports~~/~~on~~ "outside income" would halt, what he calls, "unwarranted suspicion." Whereupon he denounces recent attacks made on federal employees - attacks ~~made~~ largely by Republicans. These, he calls - "a deliberate effort to discredit the government service."

"I am told," says the presidential message, "that people all around the country are getting the mistaken and distorted impression, that the government is full of evil doers, full of men and ~~women~~ with low standards of morality,

full of people who are lining their own pockets." Alas,
alas - I'm afraid ~~that~~ some such impression ^{is} getting
around.

The presidential message aroused an immediate
uproar. Republican Senator Milliken of Colorado called it
"a cheap political trick to try to put the blame on others."

Capehart of Indiana said he would support such a law, ^{to}
help the President "clean up his own ^{mess,} ~~in~~ the Senator's

^{put it,}
^{words} Wayne Morse of Oregon ~~■~~ expressed approval - okay.

He himself introduced a similar bill in Nineteen Forty-five,
and has been trying to get action on it ever since - but
without success. So now he will be glad to try again -
supported by the White House, he hopes.

BOYLE

Democratic National Chairman Boyle made his appearance before the Senate Committee ~~today~~ today, and stated that he stopped receiving legal fees from the American Lithofold Corporation when he became the paid acting head of the Democratic National Committee, receiving a salary. That was in Nineteen Forty-nine. But he admitted that, for ten weeks before he started getting a ^{from the Party,} salary, he was actually in charge of the ^{Democratic} Committee - running things; though his regular pay had not yet begun. During those ten weeks, between February and April, he received regular fees from Lithofold, as a Company lawyer. He said he saw nothing wrong in this.

During that period, he made an appointment for Lithofold President R.J.Blauner - to have a talk with R.F.C. Chairman Harley Hise. On that very day, ^a ~~the~~ Government loan to Lithofold had been refused. But Blauner talked to Hise, and the loan was approved three days later. Which was quite a reversal. But today Boyle denied he had anything to do with it.

~~He denied denying it was "a very big deal" to think~~

~~him to telephone me and I would be glad to talk to him. I will change on the~~

~~subject matter. I am sure that he would be glad to talk to me. I will make no attempt~~

~~was to be made from the R.F.C., but he~~ He simply made an appointment. He pointed out that last week President Truman said it was the duty of officials of the Democratic National Committee to make appointments for private citizens with government agencies.

Senator Nixon ^{of California} spoke up and said there was - "a distinction" between the Democratic National Chairman making an appointment for an ordinary citizen, and making one for one of his own law clients. "How could you say you had no influence?" the Senator demanded. "You made the telephone call. They got the loan. Your claim that you had no influence at the R.F.C. just doesn't add up."

To which William Boyle, the Democratic National Chairman, responded: "I wouldn't expect a government agency to give me any more consideration than any other citizen."

Well, that's an inspiring thought - the National

Chairman of the political party in power getting no more
consideration in the government than Tom, Dick and Harry.

Or you - or me.

STABILIZATION

President Truman, tonight, reversed an order issued by the Office of Price Stabilization. Officials of that Bureau announced a ban, forbidding employees to disclose what ^{was} ~~they~~ called "embarrassing" information. This was assailed in Congress. Called "dictatorial". In the Senate there were threats to cut off appropriations for the Office of Price Stabilization, unless the secrecy order was revoked. The President did the revoking. Following the uproar in Congress, he cancelled the secrecy order.

JAP_FUGITIVES

On the island of Guam, it seems that the five Japanese, left over from the War, ^{did} know their country had been defeated. So, why did they still hold out? The answer sounds like something long past - as long past as the War itself. Remember how the Japanese were supposed to commit Hará-Kiri rather than surrender? Well, the five fugitives were afraid their own people would expect them to commit - hará-kiri. So they preferred to stick it out in the wilderness.

They had a fine place of refuge - a remote section on the coast of Guam, where a small beach was enclosed by towering cliffs. Three hundred feet up on the cliff was a comfortable cave, for a dwelling. There were cocoanuts, papayas, bread fruit. Once they had meat, when a dog chased a deer over the cliff. They made fire with celluloid movie film - which they rubbed with bamboo sticks, until it burned.

So they led a quiet ^{Robinson Crusoe} life for seven years, and were found only because two native fishermen happened

to land on the beach - where the five were having a snooze on the sand. The fishermen grabbed one - the other four getting away. The prisoner was turned over to the Americans, ^{To them} ~~he~~ he explained ^{that!} "A quiet Vegetarian life on Guam was better than hard-kiri."

When he was told that nobody was expected to commit hard-kiri, he led a party of Americans to the cave high up on the cliff. There the other four yielded readily, when told - no hard-kiri.

FRANCHOT_TONE

In Hollywood, Franchot Tone has changed his mind about prosecuting actor Tom Neal -- for the beating Tone got in ^{THE} battle over Barbara Payton. The victim had asked the District Attorney for a Felony Complaint against his assailant, but he's changed his mind about that, decided to forget the whole thing. Tonight Franchot Tone explained that he was acting at the request of his family and friends -- and people in the movie industry.

He added a note on his romance with Barbara Payton ^{SAYING} ~~that~~ he hoped, in his own words, "to meet Barbara in the East very soon, very possibly for marriage."

BASEBALL

There's terror in Brooklyn tonight. The Dodgers lost again today, beaten by the Boston Braves - four to three. Disaster struck in the eighth inning, when the ~~Dodgers~~ ^{Braves} scored the winning run. They got to Preacher Rowe for two hits, after which the run ~~scored~~ ^{from} ~~the~~ third base on an infield out. This led to an uproar - because Catcher Campanella thought he tagged the runner ~~out~~ ^{at} the plate. The Dodgers roared in protest against the umpire's decision, but the umpire won, as usual - and how! He cleared the Dodger bench and sent fifteen raging Brooklyn players off the field.

So tonight the Dodgers are only half a game ahead of the rushing New York Giants - and will have to win all three of their remaining games to clinch the pennant.

It's a photo finish - Nelson!