

That McCarthy hearing began in Washington, today, and the first session broke up - in a rumpus. A Special Senate Committee - considering a "motion of censure" against McCarthy. Only to be expected, I suppose - that there'd be fireworks. The stormy petrel from Wisconsin - so frequently surrounded by lightning and thunder.

The hearing is being held in the same room where the big television show was staged. Otherwise, there was little resemblance between these proceedings and the T.V. extravaganza - ~~until the shouting began. Nothing on the air this time.~~

No television cameras, or even radio microphones. No newsreel cameras, no still photographers flitting around with a popping of flash bulbs. Nor was there any jam of spectators. Many seats available - empty. One reason, perhaps - the big American Legion parade, which was forming up during the proceedings.

The intention is to have everything sedate, with a courtroom-like atmosphere. Which was the case - during the

early part of the hearing. A statement of Senator McCarthy's was read - calling the charges against him "politics." The McCarthy accusers animated by "ulterior political motives" ~~or they were~~ "unwitting victims of powerful political groups." ~~There were various formalities, dignified and stately and some judicious argument by counsel. Senator McCarthy's lawyer presenting his views in a mild, moderate way.~~

The trouble began when Mc Carthy said he wanted to know - about Senator Edwin Johnson of Colorado, a member of the Committee. This concerned an article printed in the Denver Post, which quoted Senator Johnson as saying - Democratic leaders "loathed" the Wisconsin Senator. The McCarthy view being that this should disqualify Senator Johnson from sitting on the Committee - as a judge, trying McCarthy.

Senator Johnson's contention is that he never said that he personally "loathed" McCarthy. And that ^{he} ~~has~~ _{has} full confidence in his ability to consider the charges "without prejudice."

McCarthy kept insisting. He wanted to know - if the story in the Denver Post was correct?

The Chairman, Senator Watkins, ruled: "That is not material to this hearing. You're out of order."

But McCarthy would not accept the ruling. "I've a right to know....", he insisted.

Watkins, a former District Judge in Utah, banged away with his gavel, and shouted, "You're out of order. We're not going to be interrupted by these diversions."

Whereupon, he recessed the hearing, ahead of time. With Senator McCarthy - denouncing the Chairman for his ruling.

There's really not much difference between the two ~~McCarthy~~ ^{McCarthy} reports/-- Republican and Democrat. The long awaited documents made public in Washington tonight - provide no surprises.

The Republican version is that the testimony produced no proof that Senator McCarthy used improper influence ~~maxim~~ in behalf of G. David Schine. But - that he did fail to control the actions of his committee staff, In pressuring the Army to ~~fi~~ give Schine special favors. Which, of course, means committee counselor Roy Cohn. Who - in the Republican report, is criticized for his actions.

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The Democrats, on the committee, use language a bit stronger in referring to Senator McCarthy. They say -- he deserves severe criticism. They add - that Private Schine, as a committee investigator, contributed little that was useful and deserved no special treatment. Their verdict on Roy Cohn is that - he "misused and abused the powers of his office."

Both Republicans and Democrats join in blaming Army Secretary Stevens and Army Counsellor Adams. The G O P members of the committee declaring - that they were at fault in not protesting to the committee, the minute ~~they~~ they felt that improper influence was being brought to bear. Also, in the word of the Republican members - they "made efforts to terminate or influence the investigations and hearings at Fort Monmouth."

The Democrats declare that Stevens and Adams tried "appeasement"; seeking to placate McCarthy and Cohn.

The Democrats go on to condemn the McCarthy contention ~~that~~ that he had the right to ask federal employees to give him secret information. As - ~~stated~~ in the case of the much debated letter, containing secret F B I information.

Republican Senators Potter and Dirksen, in addition to signing the G O P report, made individual statements at their homes. Potter ~~is~~ -- criticizing both McCarthy and the Army.

DULLES

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles declares ^{that} an emergency meeting of the North Atlantic Treaty council will have to be held. A Nato conference, to consider, what he calls - the "tragedy." The French rejection of the European army plan.

In Washington, today, the Secretary of State said the United States will have to - "reappraise its foreign policies, particularly those in relation to Europe."

Some while ago, John Foster Dulles gave warning - there would be "an agonizing reappraisal" of our policies, if E.D.C. failed. Well, it sure failed yesterday - when the French National Assembly voted down the program for an international military force.

So we'll now review the whole business. ~~Questions concerning the number of U.S. troops to be stationed in Europe. Also - the rearmament of Western Europe Germany.~~

In spite of ^{the plan for} the failure of a West European army, the

North Atlantic Treaty Organization still remains. So an emergency meeting of Nato will be called, in the face of the necessity of an American reappraisal.

KOREA

"Operation Glory" began in Korea today. The exchange - of war dead. Scenes of solemnity and mourning, as the remains of soldiers who gave their lives - are brought to the exchange point in the neutral zone. On our side - religious services by chaplains, as a sad homeward journey begins for victims of war.

CONTROVERSY

A controversy has arisen between former Congressman Martin Dies, of Texas, and Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt. One feature of the argument being - (the question of Joseph Lash, who a dozen years ago, was head of the National Youth Congress. Denounced - as a Communist front outfit. At the time, Congressman Dies was Chairman of the Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities, which investigated the Youth Congress. And Lash - appeared as a witness. Mrs. Roosevelt, according to the story, invited the Congressman to the White House, and asked him to give Lash a "clean bill of health." So that - the head of the Youth Congress could get a commission as an officer in the Navy. Martin Dies declares that Mrs. Roosevelt informed him that Lash had admitted to her - he was a Communist.

This, Mrs. Roosevelt denies. Saying - that Dies has misrepresented her words.

The controversy continues with) a statement that the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt tried to get

Congressman Dies to call off his investigation of Communism. Because - the inquiry, conducted by the Committee on Un-American Activities, might alienate liberal groups, and hurt the Democratic Party. To this Mrs. Roosevelt replies with a letter, which Dies made public today. The letter - printed in an article in the magazine, U.S. News and World Report.

~~She explains as follows:~~

"It is true," ^{writes Mrs. Roosevelt,} "there was no hysteria in those days.

And he (F.D.R.) may have felt there were a great many liberals, who were in sympathy with certain Communist doctrines, that he and many others might not have wanted to antagonize."

~~To this she adds the statement that F.D.R. knew what was going on in the Communist Party.~~

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Today, former Congressman Dies calls the letter - "an historic document." Showing, says he - "the thinking and attitude of the Roosevelts with reference to the Communists and Russia." ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

"It was this attitude," he goes on, "that was

responsible for the tragic blunders at Yalta and the Potsdam conferences. Which - brought about the emergence of Russia, from a third rate power to the status of a world menace."

Well, there'll be a lot of controversy for a long time - about what went on in those days.

BOSTON

In Boston, today, the police were questioning a suspect in the jailbreak of - "Trigger" Burke. Tony Pino, called a Boston safe cracker, came in and surrendered - when he heard the cops were looking for him. They had him spotted in connection with an escape car.

~~One curious angle is this.~~ "Tigger" Burke had been arrested for attempting to machine gun an underworld character, "Specs" O'Keefe, who - was once regarded as a number one suspect in the Brinks robbery, that million dollar hold-up. ~~So what do we hear now, about~~ ^{And} Tony Pino ~~is~~ ^{also} was a key suspect in the Brinks robbery. The whole story seeming to point - to that record-breaking exploit of banditry.

However, the Boston police are not optimistic about implicating Pino in the "Trigger" Burke escape. Today, Police Captain Francis Wilson said - he must have an ironclad alibi, or he wouldn't have come in, giving himself up so easily.

HURRICANE

A state of emergency was proclaimed at New London, Connecticut, today. The city - hit ~~at~~ that hard by the hurricane. Electric power service - completely disrupted by the big wind. All persons - ordered indoors. Because of high tension wires - blown down and falling into the streets.

Throughout eastern Connecticut - bus line service cancelled. Highways blocked by falling trees and power lines.

The hurricane blasted the Carolina coast last night, doing plenty of damage - but causing no loss of life, apparently. The tropical storm then swept up the coast - hitting Long Island and Connecticut. The force of the winds - diminishing. But still strong enough to cause plenty of trouble. Along the shore - huge tides, lashed by the gale. The coast - battered by violent seas.

But all was quiet for the submarines, at the New London base. They just went out - and took a dive, staying submerged. Down there below the surface, all is calm - ~~and~~ in the most violent hurricane.

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The tempest swept on up through New England, creating havoc all along the coast - especially Rhode Island. Eight lives lost - in the storm and the floods. Parts of Providence - unundated. The tempest hitting just at high tide. A loaded ammunition barge - breaking loose in Narragansett Bay. Going aground - hours later - no damage. Quite a storm.

In Boston, "Old North Church" lost its historic steeple - blown over by a Hurricane. The church spire - from which Paul Revere received the signal that sent him on his famous ride. The slender white belfry of the two hundred and thirty-one year old edifice, today fell with a crash into Salem Street. Paul Revere's church steeple - a victim of the blast of the hurricane that swept up the Coast from the Carolinas.

PACHUCOS

The Pachuco craze is getting to be something of a ridiculous nightmare. Ridiculous - when it's not sinister. Every day the news wire tells of new cases, far and wide - of juveniles going in for the weird mumbo-jumbo that originated in southern California. Today's odd example is from

At Myrtle Beach, South Carolina,

At that resort place, a sixteen year old youth was arrested for hitting a high school football player with a soft drink bottle. At first, the cops didn't suspect anything more than a brawl among youngsters. But, then, Police Chief W.C. Newton spotted - a tattooed mark on the boy's hand. A sort of cross, with dots - the telltale sign of the Pachucos, a juvenile mob organization that has spread far and wide. Whereupon, the order was given - pick up every boy and girl, in town, with tattooed marks on their hands. The result was - arrests of ten youths and a twenty year old girl.

But they denied - they were Pachucos. Instead, they told a story even more bizarre. They said - they had set up a rival organization. Calling themselves the - Chico

Society. To compete - with the Pachucos. Using the same weird blood oath - and the tatooed signs.

~~The police believe, however, that the story is a dodge. To conceal the fact that the gang really is a branch of that juvenile mob organization, which has been spreading all over the country.~~

The leader, at Myrtle Beach, seems to be - the young woman, ~~whom~~ arrested. A waitress - who tells the police that she started the local gang about a month ago. She - having learned about the Pachucos from the boy friend, now in prison, who taught her the technique of tatooing.

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Actually, ^(South Carolina) the gang has not been involved in serious crimes, but ^{is} guilty of random acts of violence. ~~which are part of the Pachuco practice.~~ One member explains the meaning of the tatooed markings, the cross with dots. Each dot representing an act of violence. A new dot - added to the sign on the hand, for each new exploit.

That was the meaning - when the sixteen year old youth hit the high school football player with a bottle.
Forming a new dot

AMERICAN LEGION

The Big Parade was on in Washington today - seventy-five thousand veterans of the American Legion marching along Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues. Half a million spectators - jamming the sidewalks. It was more like a carnival than a military review - banners and bunting everywhere. Jollity and good-natured capering, as the Parade went by for twelve hours.

One unexpected feature - the weather. The day in Washington, beginning with rain. Part of the wet weather brought, far and wide, by the hurricane. But the sky cleared
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suddenly, - sunshine and fleecy clouds for the Big Parade.