

Mon. Aug. 29 - '55

States lead

The United ~~States~~ off, today, in the disarmament talks at the U N. Which talks are regarded as a test of that new, friendly Soviet attitude.

The American delegation declared -- this country is ready to put ~~it~~ into effect President Eisenhower's plan for an exchange of military blue prints with Russia. Also, aerial inspection of each other's country.

The Russian's countered with a former proposal of theirs -- for a limited inspection system.

No immediate result ~~was~~ apparently in this preliminary test of the Soviet "new look" .

PALESTINE

The armistice commission in Palestine - ducked to cover today. Meeting ~~in~~ in a village on the border of the Gaza strip - representatives of Israel, Egypt and the U N the session broken up - when bullets flew through the village of Beit Hanoun. Another exchange of gunfire along that perilous frontier - where Israelis and Egyptians have been clashing repeatedly.

Still ~~more~~ more ominous - an air battle, ~~but~~ though it wasn't much. ~~Israel and Egypt accuse each other of aerial invasion. Tel Aviv stating that Israeli planes drove off "enemy" planes. However, no shots were fired aircraft merely making passes at each other. Not much of an air battle~~ but that sort of thing could lead on -- to dangerous hostilities.

NORTH AFRICA

The French cabinet has okayed Premier Edgar Faure's eleventh hour plan - to restore peace in Morocco. Called a "last chance" program. If it fails, the government of Premier Faure will fall.

Strife torn Morocco - to get a "representative government" within fifteen days. Both the French resident-general and the present Premier of Morocco - to be removed.

France hopes that this will quiet the terrorism and insurrection in Morocco.

CHILE

In the Republic of Chile, today, six hundred more strikers ^{were} arrested. ^{This time} Employees of the government health service, [^] who joined a nationwide walkout of government workers. Which brings the number of prisoners in the labor crisis - up to seven-hundred and-fifty.

Fifty-five union leaders, ~~are~~ ^{They are} under arrest - ^{were} questioned by the police today. [^] Accused of paralyzing essential public services, ⁵⁰ they could be imprisoned - or banished. That is, exiled [^] to some remote part of the country. Chile ~~is~~ having some exceedingly remote areas - like the Andes or Tierra del Fuego.

All - part of an "iron hand" policy in dealing with a wave of strikes.

KOREA

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The neutral truce inspection teams are to be reduced - in Korea. The Reds make the proposal, and our side agrees.

At Pan-Mun-Jom, American Major General Harlan Parks told the Communist representative - that the Red inspectors from Czechoslovakia and Poland have been biased and unneutral, from beginning to end. He added - that, in fact, the whole truce inspection system could well be discarded.

KOREA-AIRMAN

The U.S. airman, shot down by the North Korean Reds - denies that he made the "propaganda" statements attributed to him. Lieutenant Guy Bumpas of Jackson, Mississippi, was quoted by the Communist radio as ^{admitting} ~~declaring~~ "that he was not on a routine flight, ^{as} ~~which~~ the Air Force said ~~he~~ was. Also ^{he had found during} that ~~his~~ his brief captivity, he "learned how false American propaganda was." *That was what the Reds said he said.*

American physicians declare that, in any case, the Lieutenant could not be held responsible for any statement. Because he had a fractured skull, and was in a "state of shock". Still hazy now, ^{Even so} ~~Even so~~ he denies having said any such thing.

This story ^{is in a statement} ~~is stated by~~ Pan Mun Jom, by American Major General Parks who asserted moreover - that the Reds had not given Lieutenant Bumpas proper medical care. No medical attention at all - for two days. Then - the crudest kind of ~~xxx~~ surgery for the injuries he suffered, when his plane was shot down.

RUSSIAN FARM

At Des Moines, Ralph Olsen has returned from Soviet Russia. ~~where~~ ^{and} he was a member of the ^{at} delegation of American farmers, what he says would remind ~~me~~ one of an American frontier farm back in the days of Daniel Boone. Or did you think I was going to say Davy ~~Crockett~~ Crockett?

Ralph Olsen says - they saw - absolutely no refrigeration, not even in city homes. The farm wife cooks in a "Dutch Oven". Often - set in the ground, out in the farm yard. She ~~does~~ her washing in a tub - or out in a stream. Water is drawn from open wells . Sanitation - completely lacking. In the farm house, beds ~~are used~~ in all the rooms - because of a lack of space.

Nevertheless, in spite of primitive ~~conditions~~ conditions, the Russian farmer is content. "The common people," says Olsen, "Never have known what good living conditions are - and they are, naturally, grateful to the Communists for improving their lot." Once again proving - that all things are relative.

HOLOHAN

In Washington, a Federal Grand Jury, today, accused former Army Lieutenant Icardi and former Sergeant Lodolce - of murdering their superior officer, Major William Holohan, ~~During~~ - World War Two.

But the only indictment returned is - one of perjury, against Icardi. Neither he nor Lodolce can be tried legally, in this country, " for a crime committed abroad. Icardi in Nineteen-Fifty-three, denied the murder, under oath, before a Congressional Committee. His account given then, ^{is} now called perjury. Lodolce never testified anywhere - so he could not be indicted.

Before the Washington Grand Jury, thirteen witnesses appeared; Italians, brought over to this country. Major Holohan, with Icardi and Lodolce, was on a wartime mission in Italy. Behind the German lines cooperating with anti-Nazi partisans.

Three of the witnesses - Italian priests.
The story being - that, one of the partisans, though

working with the Communists, retained his religious faith. In confession, he told the Priest of the crime - in which he had participated. The priest - instructing him to take the story to the police. Which he did.

Another witness an Italian police lieutenant, who recovered Major Holohan's body from a lake, into which it had been thrown.

~~It~~ Other witnesses, other people from that section of North Italy near the Swiss border - who corroborated the story. That Major Holohan, on a mission of getting weapons to Italian anti-Nazis, ~~was~~ was the victim of a murder plot - by his two U.S. Army subordinates, together with Communist partisans. ~~They~~ Fed him poison; ~~and~~ then shot him.

Another witness - magazine Writer Max Stern, who investigated the Holohan case in Italy and had a large part in bringing it to the public attention over here.

Icardi's explanation is that Major Holohan was killed in a skirmish with German troops. Lodolce made a confession - but retracted it. He's reported to have fired the fatal shot.

So now the case has been reopened - with a charge of perjury against Icardi. Whose arrest was ordered - in Pittsburgh, today.

FIRE

The Standard Oil fire at Whiting, Indiana, was burning itself out, today - one of the greatest fire disasters on record.

The world's largest complete refinery.

A lofty cracking tower - exploding, early Saturday morning. Two lives lost - hundreds injured. Seven homes destroyed - one hundred damaged. The blasting explosion and flying debris - devastating a section of two square miles. Sixty great oil tanks going up in flames. The total in damages placed at one hundred million dollars.

Today, the police instructed seven hundred of the homeless to go back to their houses at points far enough away to be safe now. Eight hundred others - having to wait until the peril of the gasoline fumes has passed.

G M

I am broadcasting from Chicago tonight.

You ^{have all} ~~of course have~~ heard about Powerama. Our announcer, Hugh Holder, has been telling you of the G M spectacular exhibition to open here on the Chicago lake front on Wednesday. ~~Tomorrow I will have something in detail about it~~ Tomorrow, the press, radio and television will get its preview.

I came out a day early to attend a luncheon that was of special interest ^{to me} because we were celebrating the birthday of one of America's real titans, Boss Kettering. Eighty-one years old today.

Powerama, I am told, portrays power development aside from the automotive end. Diesel engines of all kinds, and so on. For the phenomenal development in this field, ~~we~~ we are largely indebted to Charles Kettering, the mechanical genius, inventor, and research wizard, who has played ^a ~~the~~ top role in the great strides America has made in the development of power of various types.

I asked "Boss" Kettering today if he was now taking it easy at eighty-one, just sitting back enjoying his fame and his laurels? He said, not at all. Then I tried to pin him down and find out what he ~~was~~ ^{is now} working on. His reply was: "Many things."

Then he added that he thinks a man can do ~~his~~ his best if he has a variety of interests. Works on one thing for a time and then turns to something else, ~~and~~ ^{then} goes back to the first with a fresh point of view. Boss Kettering, one of the giants of our industrial era.

What a man!

The principal speaker today was Harlow Curtice, President of General Motors, who reminded us that at the Chicago Century of Progress exhibition, in Nineteen Thirty-Three, one ~~bit was~~ ^{item was a Kettering} light two-cycle diesel engine, produced by General Motors. A beginner for G M -- in the field of diesel power.

Now, here at this Powerama exhibition that has

its preview tomorrow and its official opening on Wednesday, they ^{will be} ~~are~~ celebrating G M's one hundred millionth Diesel horsepower. In twenty-two years - G M has done this.

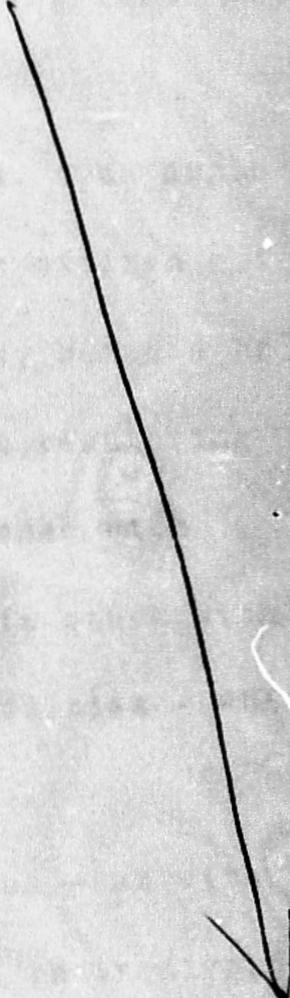
Harlow Curtice said that in another ten years they will add another one hundred million Diesel horsepower, ^{to} ~~enable~~ America to build ^{great new highways,} ~~its roads,~~ cut its timber, drill its wells, clear and plow its fields, propel its ships, drive its trains and airplanes and turn the wheels of the nation.

~~Then he did some prophesying. Increases in horsepower per unit of weight, along with more fuel economy, Entire new applications of power plants,~~
One of his prophesies; -
new mechanical refrigerator cars that will completely revolutionize the transport of things that are perishable; ^{also -} huge new road building ~~xx~~ equipment ^{to} ~~that will~~ move ~~the~~ dirt by magic; turbo-prop engines for airplanes that will give us new standards of comfort in the air and greater speed.

Millions have been spent to make this
ama exhibition far beyond anything man has ever
along ~~at~~ this line. Tomorrow night I'll do my
to ~~xxxxx~~ describe the magic Powerama exhibition
e Chicago Lake Front.

SUB LEAD HAYWORTH

Rita Hayworth admits she has walked out
on Dick Haymes. Today she said "I don't know,
at this time, if the separation is final." All of
which follows a violent row Saturday night, ^{at} ~~etc.~~ etc.



HAYWORTH

~~Today, Dick Haymes declared - "there's nothing to it, nothing at all." Friends of Rita Hayworth tell of a violent row Saturday night, at Hollywood's Ambassador Hotel - where Haymes is doing a crooning act. A quarrel - in his dressing room. Rita, flouncing home in a rage.~~

The story has -a dramatic turn. One angle well known. How Dick Haymes an Argentine citizen got into trouble with the Immigration Bureau, because he visited Rita in Hawaii. [^]Changed - with reentering the country illegally. So he was threatened with deportation. Through all of which - Rita stuck with him. Seeing him through his legal difficulties - which ended recently.

Now Rita has legal difficulties - ~~she~~ with her last previous husband Ali Khan. In their divorce agreement she promised "that their daughter Princess Yasmin, should visit the child's grand father in Europe some times this year. The grandfather, the fabulously wealthy Aga Khan. But visit has not occurred.

They say that Dick Haymes does not want her to go to Europe alone with the child; so, you might suppose - he wants to go along. But he's afraid to leave the country - they might begin deporting him again.

So you see the dilemma - said to be part of the squabble.

BASEBALL

Looks as if the New York Yankees will have Billy Martin back - in time to take part in the final battle for the pennant. The scrappy second baseman - regarded as a spark plug.

At Fort Carson, Colorado today, Corporal Billy Martin applied for a thirty - four day leave -- of absence. Which would mean - goodbye to the Army. Scheduled for discharge ~~at~~ on October Eighth - he has a lot of time piled up.

A Fort Carson information officer says - the Yankee infielder should be cleared for departure by the end of the day.

Ray Hugh, sure
The Yankees will welcome the ~~as~~ spark plug!
- They need one!