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In New York today, Dr. Robert Ward, research expert at New York University, revealed incriminating evidence against the fly as a carrier of infantile paralysis. The fly, technically known as *phormia-regina*, is the criminal. For years, flies have been on the suspect list, but there has been no evidence. Now the fly stands condemned.

From nine communities in the United States, the fly has been identified as the agent by which infantile paralysis spreads into epidemic form. Tests were made carefully. The insects were permitted to feed on laboratory specimens infected with polio virus. Then they were killed, and their bodies ground into powder. The powder was injected into monkeys. Very shortly, then, the monkeys came down with polio.

In another experiment, these flies were allowed to feed on infected waste, and then they were given a tasty snack, a sliced banana. The banana was frozen and shipped to Yale University, where it was fed to two normal chimpanzees. The animals did not contract polio, but

they did carry the virus as a result of eating the fruit. Minute quantities of this virus, carried by the chimpanzees, were injected in the monkeys, and the monkeys went down with polio.

And so, science today is further on its way in its fight against infantile paralysis.

LEAD GREECE

A bulletin from Lake Success:- This evening Greece appealed to the United Nations Security Council to speed the establishment of peace keeping machinery in the Balkans. Said the Greek letter:- the new outbreak of guerrilla warfare near the Albanian border has made the delicate situation in southeastern Europe "drastically" more serious.

The letter pleads for action on the American proposal to the Security Council; proposals that call for a long range U.N. border patrol of eleven nations. All of which was opposed by Russia, Albania, Jugoslavia and Bulgaria.

Later:- word that the U.N.'s temporary trouble-shooting mechanism in the Balkans has gone into action. A three-man sub-group, stationed at Salonica, has flown to the scene of the guerrilla warfare.

## GREECE

From Greece, news of ~~an~~ <sup>the</sup> attempted invasion by over a thousand guerrilla warriors -- across the frontier from Albania.

The Greek government has put all army troops, gendarmerie and police on the alert. All Greek aircraft standing by tonight to carry more troops to the mountainous area around Konitsa, where the first thrust was made. So fierce was the onslaught that only the arrival of crack Greek parachute troops turned the tide.

Greek sources in London are saying that large bands of guerrillas are massed at the southwest tip of Albania; including twenty thousand ~~Al~~ Albanian Moslems; and they are tough fighting men.

During the day, Radio Belgrade reported that the fighting had shifted from Konitza to the ~~ix~~ mountainous area around St. Nicholas, two and a half miles from the ~~Ex~~ Albanian border.

We hear that eleven guerrilla armies have attacked near the Yugoslav frontier. Political observers view all

this as part of a concerted action, the purpose of which is to bring about the collapse of the present Greek regime. We hear there is an international brigade recruited by the Communists, and supporting the Greek Moslems who fought with the Germans during the occupation of Greece.

Communist newspapers in Athens are issuing war bulletins -- favorable to their side, of course. The Greeks are reading them and going about their business. Meanwhile, the government goes on arresting suspects. The score to date: about six thousand in four days.

The Greek Cabinet today sat in special session for the second consecutive day. Subjects under discussion? The violation of the frontiers of Greece by a foreign invader, and the Greek attorney general's report on the legal aspects of a plan to outlaw the Communist party.

## MARSHALL PLAN

( In Paris, the sixteen nation European conference, to consider the Marshall Plan, today ran into its first stormy weather. The small nations today demanded full equality -- the same as the big powers.)

Shortly after the conference got underway, a selection was made of a small executive cooperation ~~XXXX~~ committee, to direct the program of economic recovery. Whereupon Scandinavia and other small countries, bluntly served notice that they'll not allow the big powers to do any dictating -- not this time. So the big powers gave in -- they agreed on a five-point program to safeguard the sovereignty of the small nations.

~~This so-called cooperation committee will maintain close liaison with the United Nations, and all its specialized organizations-- to avoid duplication of effort. The small powers insisted on this close liaison. They further asked for, and obtained, a guarantee that information for a balance sheet of Europe's resources be supplied only with the consent of each government concerned.~~

~~Another request from the small powers, that existing commercial treaties not be changed unless the countries concerned agree.~~ **R** In this way, the small nations today gave a direct answer to those Russian charges, that countries participating in the Paris conference are ~~not~~ bending the knee to Uncle Sam.

And, they are working fast-- so fast, in fact, <sup>and</sup> this sounds impossible -- that the word from Paris today is that the meeting may end tomorrow! Four days of working at unprecedented high speed. A record ~~for~~ for a post-war international conference.

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~~Today, by the way, is Bastille Day in France -- the French Fourth of July. So, even the delegates to the ~~the~~ sixteen-nation conference took time out for a parade, a parade of France's present postwar might -- featuring five thousand motorized troops, with heavy tanks. The Moroccan cavalry, those picturesque Zouavs, were on hand as usual, sweeping down the Champs d'Elysee, to the Arc de Triomphe.~~

~~Mr. Bevin, the British Foreign Minister, went on~~

## ADD MARSHALL PLAN

In Washington there is a Republican move to clamp an economic quarantine on Russia and her satellites because of their refusal to cooperate in ~~the~~ rehabilitation of this distressed world.

Representative Everett Dirksen, Republican of Illinois, announces that he'll introduce legislation to bar all American help to nations that refuse to join in the program to get the wheels moving in Europe again. Congressman Dirksen made it clear that he'll fight to ban any further outpouring of American money to those countries that refuse to cooperate for world recovery. "It is time Operation Rat Hole came to an end." said he. "We've appeased and placated, but there must be an end to this patient endeavor."

Dirksen was supported by Representative Mason, Republican of Illinois, who wants the United States to break off all diplomatic relations with Russia and keep her isolated, until she is willing to cooperate and do something about world peace.

STASSEN

(For radio release at 10:30 EDT. In other words, we have it almost first.)

(Harold Stassen of Minnesota, who ~~was~~ already <sup>has</sup> announced his candidacy for the Nineteen Forty-Eight Republican Presidential nomination, lashed out at Russia tonight) -- the first such speech criticizing Russia that he ~~ever~~ <sup>has made,</sup>

(Stassen not so long ago interviewed ~~Maxwell~~ Stalin, <sup>at</sup> the Kremlin) and has been <sup>referred to by some of</sup> ~~called by his~~ <sup>his</sup> ~~as~~ <sup>as</sup> opponents, a leader of moderately pro-Russian forces in this country: less radical than Henry Wallace; more so than President Truman.

Tonight, ~~our~~ <sup>the</sup> ex-Governor of Minnesota asks for an "effective program to convince the Kremlin that the Communist Party cannot successfully infiltrate and dominate this country."

Stassen adds that in his opinion Russian policy will not change until Stalin is finally convinced that the Communists can't take over America or any other

major power. ~~Stassen~~ *Stassen* goes on to endorse the Marshall plan for aid to Europe, urging Congress to act upon it before it adjourns for the summer

"Speed," he says, "is essential. We must start the ball rolling on foreign aid before another grim winter sets in over Europe."

## TAXES

The Senate today approved the new Republican income tax bill by a sixty-to-thirty-two vote. Altho a heavy majority, it's not enough to over-ride a veto. Republican hopes of overcoming the Presidential veto just about vanished today, when two Republicans -- Senator Wayne Morse of Oregon and Langer of North Dakota, voted with the thirty Democrats.

The veto is expected to come quickly. The Republicans have asked the President to forego the ten-day delay period permitted him under the circumstances -- and he will oblige so the bill can come up for its final Congressional test before the weekend.

But, even if the Democrats do succeed in piling up enough votes to sustain the veto, the Republicans are determined to carry the fight into next year.

Regardless of the final outcome, this income tax bill will be a top issue in the Nineteen Forty-Eight Presidential election.

LABOR

A move a foot to appeal the Taft-Hartley Labor Law -- "lock, stock and barrel."

It's being led by fifteen Senators -- thirteen Democrats and two Republicans; the Republicans, Wayne Morse of Oregon and Langer of North Dakota.

Leader of the group? Claude Pepper of Florida. Late Reports from Washington say that neither Senator Taft nor Congressman Hartley are at all disturbed.

## PIGEONS

From London, news of a minor tragedy. British racing pigeon enthusiasts sent three thousand prize racing pigeons to France. What for? Oh, to race back to England. But out of those three thousand ~~■~~ pigeons, only forty arrived. And that, we hear, represents a loss to the owners of about a million dollars. Where did the pigeons all go -- those million dollar pigeons? The Secretary of the British National Flying Club advances the theory -- this is the way he put it -- "I'm afraid most of the lost birds made pigeon pie."

## BLIMP 6

In Northern California tonight, a Navy blimp is on the loose, carried by the breeze, no one aboard. Where she'll end up, nobody knows, and naturally both the Navy and the Coast Guard are worried.

It all happened off Cape Mendocino -- the cause of the crash still unknown. Down came the blimp, nosing fast into the waters -- rolling in the ocean swells. The craft's gondola bobbed up from the surf and the crewmen scrambled out -- hastily. Climbed into life rafts and were immediately picked up by rescue ships, all nine of them saved.

But while that was going on, the incredible happened. The old girl, the blimp, shood herself free from the waters, pointed her nose sky ward, and took off; in land this time.

So tonight, a Coast Guard plane is riding herd on her, trying to keep her in sight in a thick fog. The orders are out: Don't shoot her donw! Don't shoot her down! There's too much possibility that she may crash in some populated place. So the Coast Guard plane is just

tagging along, waiting for the blimp to run into a mountain or come down of her own free will, just as she took off from the ocean this afternoon.

## FASHIONS

What will the Little Woman be wearing tomorrow? Gowns that will cost plenty of moolah, we know that.

In New York today, a hundred fashion editors from all over America got a glimpse of the clothes our leading fashion designers have dreamed up for the woman-of-tomorrow -- tomorrow meaning this Autumn. And those editors got an eyeful of the most radically different clothes the American woman has worn in many a decade.

If you want to be in the fashion this year, throw all your shoulder pads away, ladies. Our designers are unanimous on one subject -- no padding. It's to be the female form divine -- with a few accessories such as hoods and capes. Hoods and capes to be attached to everything but nightgowns. And the designers, ~~optimistically~~ <sup>optimistically</sup> predict that they'll even invade the boudoir before the season is over.

How about evening gowns? Startling! And, noisy. And what do they mean by noisy? Well, M'lady will be bespangled -- with ~~dx~~ sequins and with jet and bugle beads. Says one correspondent: If designers pooled all

the sequins and beads to be used on Fall clothes, there'D be enough to sink the Queen Mary." Not Queen Mary, but the ocean liner The Queen Mary.

Here's a preview of one of the new evening ensembles: A quilted red wool skirt, ankle length, topped by a matching lumber jacket with gold snaps. Beneath the lumber jacket, ~~ix~~ a strapless black jersey top, and round M'lady's waist, a cummerband of black jersey. Sounds spectacular -- to put it mildly.

And what are the milliners planning? More huge puffed-up cushion hats to be worn with those ear-covering spaniel hair-dos of the Twenties. Dame Fashion turning back the clock! Back to spaniel hair-dos. Whatever that is: Nelson you are an authority on the ladies.

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the air to tell the French people that nothing ever again will separate Britain and France. He also told them to be of good cheer; that the future is for those who love and live for freedom. "Our two countries," added Mr. Bevin, "will work together, not to dominate others, but to cooperate with everyone."

But even as he spoke, France faced the threat of a new strike -- a million-and-a-half government employees, members of Communist-dominated unions. Paris newspapers say Russia is trying to force the strike -- and in that way torpedo the Paris conference. Maybe that's another reason why the delegates are working at top speed.

Meanwhile, those countries which boycotted the Paris conference -- the Soviet ~~is~~ satellites, are tightening their own economic ties, with Russia.

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Indications are that the nations compressed into Russia's eastern bloc, are not completely at ease about the future. In London, an official Polish spokesman used

hard words upon the publication of the text of Poland's ~~xxx~~ note rejecting the invitation to Paris. "This Paris conference," said he, "is an attempt to break the decisions laid down at Potsdam -- to break up the unity of the four big powers." Which statement immediately aroused stormy protests <sup>from</sup> ~~xxxxx~~ British and French correspondents who demanded that the Pole give evidence to support his charges. But the Pole refused. "No government," he said, "makes public full details of all its diplomatic conversations. »"

However, he did go on to charge that some of the nations represented at Paris see the restoration of Germany as the only way to restore their own economy. And then he said that Poland cannot join any organization that places the reconstruction of Germany ahead of the reconstruction of the victims of Germany.

But, the door is still open. Word from Paris has it that the sixteen nations now in plenary session, will put no obstacle in the way of Russia and her satellites joining in the ~~xxxxx~~ Marshall Plan -- if Russia

should decide to come in at the eleventh hour.

From Berne, Switzerland, it is announced that a Swiss economic mission has signed a one-year trade agreement with Russian officials of Soviet-occupied Germany. The details, however, are a secret, until the mission returns to Switzerland.

## PALESTINE

In Palestine tonight, fifteen thousand people found themselves abruptly isolated from the world. They are residents of the little town of Nathanya, where members of the Jewish underground kidnapped two British sergeants on Saturday.

Nathanya now is under martial law, by order of General Sir Alan Cunningham, the British High Commissioner for Palestine.

At first, it was stated that the restriction would not be imposed until midnight tonight. The Jewish Mayor, Oved Ben Ami, promptly appealed to the High Commissioner to suspend the edict. He said it would antagonize the entire population. "But if this evil comes", added the Mayor, "we will face it calmly." It came! -- quickly. The High Commissioner met with his army chiefs, and the deadline was moved up to seven P.M.

And so, all normal life was suspended, and those holiday-makers who didn't quit the resort on the first British warning, are virtually prisoners, subject to a twenty-three hour a day curfew.

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That is for one hour only, housewives are allowed to do their shopping. So Nathanya is in a state of siege.

Meanwhile, Haganah, the moderate faction of the Jewish underground, has appealed to the Jews to find the kidnapped sergeants and hand them over, and thus get this collective-punishment-by-martial-law business out of the way -- called off.