

SWEDEN

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The latest news tonight - Moscow making a reply to Sweden. At the Kremlin, Foreign Minister Vishinsky gave the Swedish Ambassador an answer to a question - whether the missing plane, called the "Flying Class Room" had been fired on by the Red fighters. The "Flying Class Room" was the technical training plane that vanished - and, later, a rescue plane searching for it was ~~xxx~~ shot down by the Reds. Indications have been - that the "Flying Class Room" had also fallen victim, ~~xx~~ shot down. So what does Moscow reply?

The Soviet note charges that, on the day in question, two planes violated Red territory. And were driven away by the Russian fighters. The Moscow notes says the nationality of the planes could not be determined - because of bad ~~xxxx~~ weather.

All of which would make it likely enough that the "Flying Class Room" was shot down. There is no explanation of the other plane mentioned in the Moscow communication.

## KOREA-BRITAIN

Yesterday's great air strike stirred up excitement in the British House of Commons today. There were anxious questions -- Did the bombing of the dams and power plants mean a change of policy? Did the assault on targets, right at the border of Red Manchuria, mean - an extension of the Korean War?

(At noon today Prime Minister Churchill had lunch with American Secretary of State Acheson, who is on a mission to London. After which, the Prime Minister went to the House of Commons -- and ran into a cannonade of questions.)

The Labor Party pressed the interrogation. With Churchill replying -- that there was no change of policy. No extension of the Korean War -- since the dams and power plants were inside Korea. He admitted that the British Government had not been informed of the intended bombing. Saying -- that General Mark Clark had full authority to give the order on his own.

(Pressed by the Labor M.P.'s, Churchill

declared that Britain reserves the right to make a protest against the bombing along the Yalu -- if such a protest should be thought advisable.

All a sign of British nerves -- in the business of Korea.)

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In Washington meanwhile, the British Minister for Defense, Earl Alexander, puts his okay on the bombing of the power plants. They<sup>a</sup>re "military targets" says the Earl, who is ~~XXXXX~~ conferring with U.S. officials.

(This is followed by a statement from American Secretary of Defense, Lovett, who declares that the Joint Chiefs of Staff could order the bombing of Red Manchuria, without consulting the U.N. He says they have the authority to do this - if necessary in an emergency.)

( Those North Korean power plants were blasted again today. After yesterday's enormous devastation, American fighter bombers returned to the scene - to knock out a few remaining buildings at a couple of the dams. ) But they did not return to the biggest power ~~plant~~ plant, the fourth largest in the world. That one - so completely shattered, it needed no further attention.

In Tokyo, General Mark Clark issued a statement, as the third year of the Korean war began. He said the Allies want an armistice, and hope to get one. "But" adds General Clark, "if the enemy prefers otherwise, and forces a return of the bitter and bloody fighting of Nineteen Fifty and Fifty-one, we are ready."

( In the truce talks, the Reds today ~~were~~ were complaining against a new screening of prisoners of war on Koje Island. Further efforts to give the captives their choice -- whether or not to go back to Communism. This enrages the Communists who want the prisoners to be sent back by force - if necessary. )

# ATOMIC

Some secret atomic testimony was disclosed in Washington today - evidence given recently at a congressional hearing. Top officials, arguing in favor of a three billion dollar atomic expansion program -- <sup>all</sup> backed ~~this~~ up with guarded information.

They told of <sup>a</sup> "complete family" of new atomic super weapons - new types of bombs, guided missiles, atomic artillery shells.

Army Chief of Staff, General Omar Bradley, denied suggestions that the Army wants atomic artillery - out of rivalry with Air Force and Navy.

*But* Twenty giant cannon have been ordered - to fire atomic shells.

There was word about the hydrogen bomb - General Bradley mentioning the production of <sup>what he termed</sup> "certain elements" of the super-explosive. The word is that the first hydrogen bomb will be tested this coming autumn at Eniwetok atoll in the Far Pacific.

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are now revising their strategies of war. Conforming these to that "complete family" of new atomic super weapons.

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GENERAL -SUICIDE

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~~the~~<sup>a</sup> General in the Pentagon ~~suicide~~ tonight.  
Brigadier General Francis G. Brink - Chief of the  
United States Military Assistance Advisory Group  
to French Indo China. He came home from French  
Indo-China two weeks ago - for staff conferences in  
Washington. His wife, remaining out there. There  
is no explanation, tonight, of the suicide of  
General Brink. All that is known is that he was  
found alone in his office in the Pentagon ~~suicide~~  
fatally wounded by gun shots. The rest - is mystery.

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The news gives a reversal in the case of Owen Lattimore. Saying - the F B I has denied <sup>s</sup> the report that the <sup>John Hopkins</sup> Far Eastern expert planned to visit Soviet Russia, or the Red satellites.

The State Department had the information from what it called an "official agency". This, we hear, was the Central Intelligence Bureau which was informed that Owen Lattimore had arranged for another person to purchase tickets and make reservations - for a Lattimore trip behind the Iron Curtain. The State Department called on the F B I to investigate, and now the F B I reports -- the story was false.

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POLITICS-EISENHOWER

General Eisenhower announces that he will accept the Republican <sup>platform -</sup> ~~platform~~ - only if the foreign policy <sup>plank</sup> ~~plank~~ is in accord with his own views. He indicates disagreement with this <sup>opinion</sup> ~~opinion~~ -- that we could depend altogether on air power.

He says he is in agreement with Republican Foreign Policy expert, John Foster Dulles, who is writing the plank for the platform, but he is critical of Dulles on one point. "I merely thought" says General Ike, "that, ~~it~~ lately, he was sure-all we had to do was sit at home and have an Air Force to dispatch off into the wide blue yonder."

(Harold Stassen says - he thinks that both Senator Taft and General Ike are too conservative. Stassen admits he's not getting anywhere as a candidate. Merely contending - that the ~~fact~~ ~~fact~~ "conservatism" of the two front runners might endanger success at the polls.)

## NEW ROCHELLE

The City of New Rochelle is paying an installment on its own purchase price - one fat calf. Thereby saving sixty thousand residents from a threat of eviction.

Its all picturesque and historic. The demand, emanating from the Reverend Walden Pell, Headmaster of a boys school in Delaware, a descendant of Sir John Pell who in Sixteen Eighty-eight, sold his estate on the Hudson to the Huguenots, the founders of New Rochelle. They not only paid cash, but had to promise to deliver to Sir John Pell, or his descendants, one fat calf each year. Which New Rochelle has failed to do for the past couple of centuries.

So <sup>the</sup> latest Pell demands "pay up". Major Stanley Church of New Rochelle says the claim is not legally valid. But, to avoid a dispute, a fat calf will be sent on to the Reverend Walden Pell. Who can add it to the herd on <sup>the</sup> a dairy farm at the Boys School.

## BERGMAN

In Hollywood, Ingrid Bergman has lost her plea -- asking that her daughter visit her in Italy this summer. The Judge says - no, contending - that this would not be for the best welfare of the thirteen year old girl, Pia. Ruling in favor of the father, Dr. Peter Lindstrom, who bitterly denounced his wife and her new husband, Rossilini, the Italian film director. He called Rossilini an immoral character, and a drug addict.

The court, however, criticized both parents -- saying that both Dr. Lindstrom and Ingrid Bergman seemed more interested in their own rights than in the welfare of the child. And - there should be a reconciliation between the daughter and the Mother.

Meanwhile, in Rome, Rosselini has abandoned his intention to come to the United States to defend himself against the charges made by Ingrid Bergman's former husband. He says his plans had been changed by the arrival of twins. So he'll stay in Rome.

## TORNADOES

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They are having an epidemic of tornadoes in the middle West. The latest, the least damaging. The twister hit in open country near the town of Philip, South Dakota. But others wrought havoc, and lives were lost - as at Centuria, Wisconsin.

Stormy weather far and wide, with more to come says the Weather Bureau.

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## BOAT

You know the ~~it's an~~ old story about the amateur who built a boat ~~and can't~~ <sup>indoors - and couldn't</sup> get it out. Which certainly is true about Fred Butler of Cambridge, Massachusetts - who constructed a twenty-two <sup>foot</sup> cabin cruiser in his back yard. Then, all he had to do was - launch it in the nearby river.

However, a few things were in the way - shrubbery, trees, fences, neighbors houses. Luckily, the neighbors were cooperative and twenty of them pitched in to help. They had to cut a highway through the shrubbery, chop down six trees, and rip out yards of wire fence. But the real trick was - when they had ~~to~~ to saw off inches of molding from two houses, so the boat could get through.

But, at length, Fred got his cabin cruiser into the water - and I'll bet he spends most of the summer giving those good natured neighbors a ride. They deserve it, don't you think, Nelson?