


The United States has demanded the release of all Americans - ~~who are~~ still held in Red China. ~~The demand was~~ transmitted through Switzerland. The American consul in Geneva - handing a message to the Consul for Red China.

The number is now sixty-three -- following the release of the four airmen. Eleven other U.S. Flyers - in Chinese jails. Forty one civilians - and eleven navy and coast guard men. These last, the Navy and Coast guard men, are new additions to the list.

Navy flyers - whose plane was shot down by the Communists off the China Coast, in January of Last year. Coast guardsmen - whose plane crashed while trying to rescue them.



FOLLOW PRISONERS

The four released airmen arrived in Hawaii, today.

The way they describe their new freedom is indicated by a couple of quotations.

"It's just like being reborn", said Captain Harold Fisher, the jet ace.

"The happiest day of our lives" shouted another.

And there was a repetition of the word -
"wonderful."

TIBET

In Hongkong, newsmen interviewed Robert Webster Ford - British radio man turned loose by the Chinese Reds. Ford - seized in Tibet five years ago when the Communists invaded the Himalayan land. He was doing a job for the Tibetan government - sending reports by short wave from Chamdo in Eastern Tibet. The Reds charged him with espionage, the usual thing - and he spent five years in a Chinese prison. We had talked to him by short wave in 1949, when we were in Lhasa and our last words to him were not to fall into the hands of the Chinese Reds. He cheerily replied that he would make sure that should not happen. But a few months later they got him. Today, Bob Ford was reticent. He said - he had undergone the usual ordeal of questioning, the brain washing. And - had made a confession. In all Communist jails, said he - everybody confesses.

He was asked - if he felt he had been imprisoned unjustly? He replied "I prefer not to answer that question at the present stage".

But at Hongkong today, he did deny one thing. The quotation is curious. Ford reported as saying "I did not poison the living Lama, as they charged".

That seems a bit garbled. When he was arrested in Eastern Tibet, the Reds accused him of poisoning an important lama of those parts. Any lama is regarded as a reincarnation of Buddha, a living Buddha. Which may account for the curious expression - "living Lama".

Today's dispatch is an ambiguous addition to a remarkable story - of a young ex-R.A.F. radio man who with a short wave outfit was working on the Tibet - China border for the Dalai Lama talking each night to Reg Fox in Lhasa who then reported to the Tibetan government.

YUGOSLAVIA

Word in Washington is that the U.S. Ambassador to Yugoslavia has been called home. To give - a first hand report on the talks between Soviet Russia and Yugoslavia. Ambassador Riddleberger - to help in forming an estimate of what has happened.

Opinion in Rome and London is - that ~~B~~ Bulganin and Khrushchev may have accomplished more than would appear on the surface. Their real purpose - to secure Yugoslav neutrality. The Soviet policy now being - to create a buffer belt of neutral states.

In this, think Rome and Paris, the Soviet negotiators may have been successful. Getting a pledge of neutrality - from Tito. A pledge - not to line up with the West.

It was announced in Washington, today, that the United States, Britain and France will hold high level talks with Yugoslavia - after the Russian leaders complete their present visit. Talks to concern - military aid.

TUNISIA

There was a wild welcome in Tunisia, today. Three hundred thousand people - ~~xx~~ hailing the return of Habib Bourgyba, leader of the Tunisian independence party. Coming home - as a result of an agreement for Tunisian autonomy.

More than three years ago, Bourgyba was arrested by the French authorities - and sent into exile. His party, *called* the neo-destour - having incited riot and revolution against the French. Demanding - independence. Bourgyba was taken over to France, and kept there. But, during his exile, the trouble only grew worse.

Recently, the French made an offer of home rule - and Bourgyba, in Paris, was prominent in the ~~xxxx~~ negotiations. These were successful - Tunisian home rule now going into effect. Bourgyba - sent home.

When he landed by ship at the ~~xx~~ port of Tunis, a huge throng was there - chanting his name. On every side, the national flag of Tunis - a red banner with a white crescent, the crescent of Islam.

ARABIA

A spokesman for the Saudi Arabian Embassy in Cairo denies a ~~set~~ series of sensational rumors. About what happened - in the Kingdom of the Desert. Reports were - that King Saud had arrested his brother, Crown Prince Feisal, and a group of Feisal supporters. Charging them - ~~we~~ with a conspiracy to overthrow King Saud, and place ~~King~~ Feisal on the ~~thron~~ throne.

A matter of international importance - considering the fact that ^{just about} ~~some~~ ~~of~~ the greatest oil ^{reservoir of all is} ~~deposits of this~~ ^{under those sands of} ~~earth are in~~ Saudi Arabia.

The Embassy in Cairo says - it's all a fabrication, based on the fact that three persons were ~~are~~ arrested, charged with conducting Communist underground activities. These arrests of Communist agents - exaggerated in the press of Iraq and Lebanon. With fabricated reports attributed - to Saudi Arabian exiles, intriguing against the royal government.

One curious point is this. The Embassy spokesman in Cairo proposed that a neutral press mission visit both Saudi

Arabia and Iraq - to investigate on the spot. And see -
which of the two countries is enjoying more internal peace.

The spokesman charging - that the prisons of Iraq are filled
with what he called, "tens of thousands of patriots and army
officers who have opposed the government."

Which certainly sounds like bad feeling - between
the two Moslem countries of Saudi Arabia and Iraq.

MOUNTAIN

A bulletin just in states -- that a British mountaineering expedition has conquered Kanchenjunga. That peak in the Himalayas is the world's ~~no~~ third highest

mountain -- and one of the most spectacular. ^{So difficult --} ~~Most difficult xxx~~

it seemed as if it might never be climbed. [^] But now ^{the} a British

~~mountaineers~~ have reached the summit of Kanchenjunga. No

details are in. And there'll be a great story to come.

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LONDON

A dispatch from London tells of a case, in which vitamins are being used, for counteracting old age. The story featuring - Sir Winston Churchill. He's eighty - but don't think Sir Winston is getting the vitamins. The aged patient is - twenty.

But ^(that's old --) ~~that's old --~~ for a lion. The vitamins - administered to Sir Winston's pet lion, named Rota. The Churchill pet - kept in a London zoo.

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SENATE

Senator Long of Louisiana, today, opened a drive to slash the Foreign Aid ~~PROR~~ program -- and what a slash. The administration figure is three and a half billions, and the Louisiana Senator proposes -- a cut of one billion.

VACCINE

Today the government released -- two hundred thousand shots of Salk vaccine -- to get the nationwide inoculation program going again. This -- after a two ~~to~~ week delay during which exhaustive tests were made, to check the safety of the drug.

POSTAL

The Senate passed another bill, today - to hike the pay of postal employees. The vote - unanimous. The bill -- now going to the House of Representatives.

It provides a pay raise of eight percent - and both Democrats and Republicans believe the President will sign it.

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The auto union has extended the strike deadline, until - next Monday. The decision was made only eleven ~~minutes~~ hours before one hundred and forty thousand workers in fifty-seven Ford plants - were scheduled to walk out. The postponement was made - to give the ~~union~~ union time to study a new offer from the Ford Motor Company. Bert Schlesinger of Milwaukee,

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SWINDLE

A New York Grand Jury, today, indicted a cafe society playboy. In the case of a treasure of jewelry - which he presented to movie actress ~~Linda~~ Linda Christians. The jewelry company - trying to get the gems back from Linda. Saying - a check for one hundred thousand dollars bounced.

The playboy is Robert Schlesinger of Milwaukee, son of Countess Mona Bismarck. An historic name. She inherited - a hundred million dollars from her former husband Harrison Williams. The son is charged with using his mother's name - to promote phoney deals in oil stocks.

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which he then presented to Linda Christians. The one hundred thousand dollar check was drawn against McCulloch's check - for one hundred and fifty thousand.

But, meanwhile, things were happening. McCulloch found that he had previously lost one hundred and twenty thousand dollars in an oil stock ~~deal~~ deal with Schlesinger. And now stood to lose another one hundred and fifty thousand - in the ~~deal~~ check he had put up. Learning this, he stopped payment - which caused the hundred thousand dollar check for the jewelry to bounce.

Hence today's indictment - and the police are looking for the playboy.

MEXICO

Mexico has a weird murder case. Multiple killings - which threaten to wipe out the sorcerers, the witch doctors, in a primitive part - of southern Mexico.

All - the result of a feud between two villages. House burning, pig stealing - occasional shootings. And then, the head man of one village, Andres Padron, decided to end it - with sorcery. Down in those parts they still practice black magic *that comes down from the* ~~descended from ancient Indian~~ *days of the Aztecs.*

So Padron hired a witch doctor, to cast an evil spell on the rival village. Make the corn crop wither - make the cows go dry. The witch doctor staged some incantations - but nothing happened. The corn crop of the enemy clan was good, and the cows kept on giving milk. So, to punish the witch doctor for the failure - Padron had him killed.

Whereupon he hired another sorcerer - with the same result. Then still others - four in all. They failed - and there were four murders.

Finally, in desperation Padron engaged the master magician of them all, Emiliano Rodriguez. Who undertook to destroy the hostile village - with ~~SMEXXEXXEXX~~ one magical blow. He would conjure up a huge boulder, caused it to rise. Then fall - on the target, wiping out the whole hostile village. A sort of witch craft air attack.

But that also failed - no boulder at all, no destruction whatever. So the master magician - went the way of the others. Killed - and buried in a cave.

Today, the Mexican police have a confession from the actual killer ^{- who did it for} ~~employed by~~ the village boss. ^{He is the} ~~And that's~~ ^{one who} ~~the story he~~ tells ^{this} ~~a~~ ^{tale} nightmare of primeval superstition.

Mississippi River from the Gulf of Mexico.

CROCODILE

Near Clinton, Iowa, Mrs. Glenn Noble was out fishing in a local river, when she stepped on a log - or she thought it was a log. But the log went slithering away - and had scales on its back.

A crocodile, ~~is~~ ^{is} no, ~~not~~ ^{not} an alligator! You wouldn't find alligators in Iowa. Crocodiles, either - in the normal course of things. So you can imagine the local astonishment.

A hunt - staged. Six ^{or} Crocodiles captured - smaller ones. The big one, five feet long - still at ~~is~~ large. A warning issued - children be careful! The critter - dangerous.

The crocodiles in Iowa are of a tropical American species. Brought in, apparently - on a barge that came up the Mississippi River from the Gulf of Mexico.

BOY SCOUT

Robert Monkx of Chicago was camping with a troop of Boy Scouts, at Devil's Lake, Wisconsin. He went wandering around through the woods - and what did he see? A tree - lying right across the railroad tracks. The tree had fallen shortly before - and it was a big one.

In the distance, a passenger train was coming - and Robert, running along the track as fast as he could - and flagging down the train. Waving his Boy Scout red handkerchief. The railroad men say - the passenger train would have been wrecked if it had hit the tree.

Remember that old song - about the billy goat, that ate the red flannel shirt on the clothes line? Hugh, that song told about a train too - and ended this way:-

That goat, he coughed and coughed with might
and main,

Coughed up that red shirt, and flagged the train!