

POWERS

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At today's session of his trial in Moscow - Francis Powers appeared in ~~complete~~^{full} command of himself. Even challenging - some of the testimony against him.

For example, the question - did his U-2 plane have American markings? One Soviet witness said - "definitely not." Adding - the plane was without markings because it was a spy plane. Powers - challenging that. Saying - he had seen distinct markings on previous occasions. And is ~~not~~ sure ~~that~~ ~~that~~ the American identification was there, on his U-2 -- during his ill-fated over-flight of the Soviet Union.

At another point, the prosecution produced - a fire starter, from his plane. The prosecutor, hinting - that Powers would have used it for arson. The American pilot immediately asked - for the label to be read. The label, stating - the fire starter was for use on damp wood. Equipment for survival - in desolate areas.

What about - the pistol he was armed with? Powers told the Soviet court - it was for hunting game, should he be

forced down. Another piece of - survival equipment. Nothing more.

Western observers feel sure - they see the typical Soviet pattern in this trial. The defendant, put in the dock as a show-piece -- forced to repent, confess his guilt. *Then* possibly ~~he~~ get leniency from the Soviet court, after all the propaganda possibilities of the trial ~~are~~ exhausted.

ROCKETS

For American rocketry - success and failure.

Success - for "Discoverer Fourteen." This rocket, zooming into the sky from Vandenberg Air Force Base, California, and going into orbit; preparing to eject its capsule.

Which the Air Force hopes to recover in the Pacific.

Trying for a second recovery - in two weeks.

The failure - at Cape Canaveral, Florida. A "Courier" rocket - rising off the launching pad; veering off and exploding.

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CONGO

^{said}
Today a Western observer in Leopoldville: ~~said~~ -

"It's growing worse by the minute." Meaning - the Congo,
^{nearer}
~~closer to~~ anarchy than ever. Congolese troops ^{causing a new} ~~running~~
^{incident.}
~~berserk again,~~ Mistaking fourteen Canadian soldiers - for
Belgians. The Congolese, deceived - because the Canadians
were speaking French. Lumumba's mutinous troops - not waiting
to question the Canadians - simply attacking with rifle butts.
Leaving the Canadian officer unconscious. - suffering from a
concusion. ~~The Congolese threatning more of the same,~~
~~when they catch white soldiers whom they don't apuse to~~
~~identify.~~

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KATANGA

But in Katanga - they are getting ready for Lumumba's invasion. Premier Tshombe, telling his men to watch possible invasion routes - from the other Congo provinces into Katanga. Tonight, the Katanga-Congo border is being rocked - by explosions with Tshombe, destroying - roads, dams, bridges, and railroads. Invasion routes that can't be disrupted all now heavily mined.

The troops of Katanga - digging in. Their mission - to stop Lumumba's invasion before it can get far into their rich province.

NEHRU

The Prime Minister of India reports - greater efforts by the Chinese Reds to seal off Tibet. Jawaharlal Nehru, referring to western Tibet - where Indian pilgrims and traders are being turned back at ~~the~~ ^{those lofty} mountain passes. Not allowed to visit monasteries and markets in western Tibet. The places they used to frequent - because the Chinese occupation hadn't extended that far. Now - Communist soldiers ^{are} everywhere ^{- even} in the part of Tibet that faces ~~Kashmir~~ ^{and Ladak}.

Today, Nehru attacked the Indian Communists again - ~~then~~ accusing them of cooperating with the Chinese Reds along the Tibet-India frontier.

O.A.S.

At the hemisphere meeting in San Jose, Costa Rica - strong backing for Venezuela against the Dominican Republic. The Organization of American States, accepting the charge - against Trujillo. The charge, that he plotted the assassination of Venezuela's President. What to do - about Trujillo? Gaining ground in San Jose/^{appears to be} - a plan for a diplomatic boycott of the Dominican Republic - as long as it is ruled by Dictator Trujillo.

CUBA

The status of the Cuban Navy - is confused tonight
Castro's news media - silent about the crackdown on naval
officers. Around Havana, the rumor is that two-hundred-
and-fifty officers and enlisted men were either jailed
or discharged from the Navy; rounded up, when Castro led
his forces - into the naval bases at Casa Blanca and
Cienfuegos.

DEMOCRATS

Two more Senators from the Deep South - are urging their state to back the Kennedy-Johnson ~~ticket~~ ticket. Senators Eastland and Stennis of Mississippi - opposing a Southern bolt in November. Declaring - the South has more to gain from staying with the Democratic Party - than from forming a third party.

ECONOMY

The Commerce Department reports a new record - for gross national production. Goods and services, hitting an annual rate of five-hundred-and-five billion - during the second quarter of this year. Main reason for this - demand for more food and clothing. Also - a jump in our export trade.

Seen at the top. General George Leaker - Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army. And he didn't go to West Point.

LINER

The "Queen Elizabeth" sailed from Southampton today - when most of her crew refused to join the dock strike. Only forty-five of the crew - walking out. More than a thousand - staying on the job. The giant Cunard liner, getting away quickly - almost forty minutes ahead of schedule. The captain, making sure he had enough men - then giving the order to sail. Several other Cunard liners - still at the Southampton piers tonight. But the ~~beautiful~~ majestic "Queen Elizabeth" ^{once again} ~~is~~ ^{there} on the high seas, bound for New York.

DAM

The dam that burst at Torre la Vega, Spain - started floods and landslides with a wall of water rolling like a wall down the valley into the town. Knocking over houses - turning telephone poles into match wood - even uprooting the railroad tracks. When the water receded - rescue workers found the whole area under some fifty thousand cubic yards of mud and sand. More than twenty - known dead; with the casualty list sure to be much higher when they search through the debris.

MOON

The best path to the moon - is a spiral. So says Professor Ernest Stahlinger - at the Stockholm meeting on space exploration. Professor Stahlinger, pointing out that - a space ship on a straight line course to the moon - would require a massive booster rocket. For a space ship traveling in spiral - a smaller rocket would be enough.

It's the principle of the screw over the nail. A screw, penetrating easily - when a nail has to be driven with a hammer. The same thing - out in space. The spiral, using less power - than a straight path to the moon. Now here's Dick who's about to spiral to the Moon or take off for somewhere.

INDIANS

Indians on the warpath again.

This time The Iroquois of Canada ~~are on the warpath~~ - led by Chief Ro-Ya-Nor Dio-Me. The Chief, snuffing out his peace pipe, picking up his tomahawk - calling on his braves to resist the pale faces.

The reason, a new law passed in Ottawa - making the Iroquois - Canadian citizens. Chief Ro-Ya-Nor Dio-Me, ~~declared~~ declaring - the Iroquois already have a nationality:- The people of the five nations ~~are~~ - North American Indians, *the proud Iroquois. Have you read your Wash. Irving?* *And* with no desire to be - citizens of the white man's country.

The Iroquois Chief, claiming - Iroquois democracy is better than the white man's. They ^{are} ~~Indians~~ ^{Indians} compelled to consult the pale face Indian agent on the reservation - about resolutions passed at the pow-wows. But within the tribe - campfire decisions become effective at once.

"Let's keep it that way" - says the Iroquois leader. Canadian citizenship, not appealing to - Chief Ro-Ya-Nor Dio-Me.