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(Given by Allan Jackson, L.T. in Zanzibar)

Nato flatly turns down - the Soviet ultimatum on Berlin. The fifteen member nations - unanimous. Even Greece and Turkey put aside their dispute over Cyprus - long enough to sign the declaration.

The Nato communique reaffirms - the right of the West to stay in Berlin. And repeats that the Allies ought to use force - should the East German Communists carry out their threat - to invade West Berlin.

Nato Secretary-General, Paul Henri Spaak of Belgium, emphasizes - this communique is not belligerent in tone. It merely states what the West will do - if attacked.

During today's session - Secretary of State Dulles spoke. He expressed a strong belief - that Russia does not intend to start a war over Berlin. The present trouble - merely Khrushchev's way of finding out how far he can go. Secretary Dulles urged his colleagues - to proceed without fear. And they did. Producing their unanimous declaration - that force should be met with force - in Berlin.

DISARMAMENT

In Geneva, they're asking tonight - whether there's any point in going on with - that disarmament conference. Britain and America have proposed - a foolproof inspection system. Designed to prevent either side - from testing atomic weapons, on the sly. The Russian delegate today rejected - the Western plan. And said his country demands a veto power - on any control commission. Moreover, the Soviets want control positions inside Russia - manned by Russians only. No United Nations mediators.

The U.S. government is not protesting to Iraq - about those attacks on William Roundtree. Last night we heard how our Assistant Secretary of State - was jeered and insulted at the airport. Later, a Baghdad crowd - stoned his automobile. And threatened to attack our Embassy.

Today State Department Spokesman, Lincoln White, told newsmen - the Iraqi government did everything it could, to protect Roundtree. Lincoln White, putting the blame squarely - on what he called, "subversive elements."

BILL CORUM

In New York, the newspaper and sports world lost a familiar figure with the death of Bill Corum, long-time sports columnist for the New York Journal-American, and president of Churchill Downs Race Track.

Bill Corum was sixty-three - when he died this afternoon after an illness of two months.

KOREA

South Korea is getting another wing of jet fighters - from America. The planes are intended to meet the build-up of air power - in Communist North Korea. The Reds will still have a two-to-one majority. The consolation for South Korea being - is that battle-tested American planes have been equal to the best - the Communists can put into the sky. Syngman Rhee, trying to beat quantity - with quality.

CANADA

That election in Canada - has the conservative government worried. Prime Minister Diefenbaker arrived back from his world tour - and ran straight into a political ~~defeat~~. defeat. The liberals, winning a contested seat - in the Toronto-Trinity area. The people of Toronto-Trinity -- are mainly middle-class. Usually support - the conservatives. Now swinging over - to the liberals.

KNUTSON

A former Congresswoman ought to be back on Capitol Hill according to her husband. Coya Knutson - who was defeated in the election. She accused her husband of helping her political enemies - by asking her publicly to come home - to Oklee, Minnesota.

Today, Andy Knutson told a House Sub-Committee -- he's sorry he interfered with his wife's career. He charged that he was fooled - by Coya's ~~Republican~~ opponents. And went on to say, he'll support Coya - if she runs for Congress again.

BUSINESS

The nation's business will improve this year. So says Paul Babson - head of the United Business Service. Babson, speaking in Boston - admitting that Nineteen Firty-Nine won't see a real boom. But adding - it will be a good year for things like - steel, construction, and automobiles.

EDUCATION

President Eisenhower thinks that high school should continue - for at least five years. And maybe six. The President bases his opinion - on his experience with his grandchildren. He calls them - "sophisticated". And claims that ~~only~~ twelve years of schooling are not enough - for today's youngsters.

WEATHER

If you've been outdoors today - you already know the next story. The cold wave - is breaking up. In Kansas City today, the thermometer hit - fifty. In Grand Forks, North Dakota, the mercury went from sixteen to twenty-five -- inside of an hour. Most of the east - is also climbing out of frigid temperatures.

The cold wave - is going. But the results are still with us. Crops have been ruined - as far south as Florida and Texas. Many fires reported - due to over-heated stoves. And the toll of the dead - continues to mount.

LEBANON

A battle is raging in Lebanon. The worst conflict - since the rebellion ended. Government planes and armored cars - smashing at one village. The villagers, fighting back - with rifles and grenades. One Beirut paper estimates the toll at - forty dead, hundreds injured. Most of the casualties - villagers. No word yet - on just what all the shooting is about.

INTRO. TO RECORDING

In tonight's report, Lowell Thomas tells us - about
a couple of Americans.

(Recording 2:10 mins.)

L.T. - THE PROFESSOR GOES A'HUNTING

Several months ago on my way around the world, some of you may recall that I did a broadcast from Saigon, Indo-China. In it I told of meeting a young American couple, newlyweds. They were on their way to Java, to Bandung, where young John Feyk, had signed on as an instructor or professor in engineering. But, they were stopping in Indo-China, and had made arrangements for a hunting trip in the jungle. They hoped to get a gaur, a huge, dangerous animal of the buffalo variety. Not well known in the Western world. They also thought they might get a tiger, possibly a rare grey one.

The demure young bride told me she had never even shot a rabbit. But, I predicted that if they got in a tight spot she would be cool, and possibly save her husband's life. A rather scholarly looking husband, who wore glasses, and said frankly that his sight was not too good. So, I wondered what adventures were ahead of them.

The young American engineer and educator got a bull gaur, after a five hour track in the jungle near the village of Manoi, inland a short distance from the China Sea. All of the game they shot they turned over to the villagers at Manoi; villagers who were hungry, because marauding tigers had driven them from their rice fields. In fact, many of the villagers had been eaten by tiger. So the meat brought in by the young Americans may have saved the lives of some of the villagers. More about these tigers, later.

As I said, young John Feyk got his gaur, a rare animal. Although it was not of record size, it was ten feet long, from nose to tail. The spread of its horns four and a half feet. He tells me the gaur is the largest horned animal, and not easy to kill. He finally brought one down with a .458 rifle using a 500 grain bullet, and it provided a great feast for Manoi. The professor's wife

was not involved in the gaur hunt. If you are on hand tomorrow night I'll tell you a little about her adventures.

So long.

BEEFEATERS

53:15

From London - news of - a strike. And it sounds like something out of - "the Yeomen of the Guard" by Gilbert and Sullivan.

The beefeaters at the Tower of London - walking off their posts. The Traitor's Gate and the Bloody Tower - without their sentries. The men who ~~wear~~ wear that colorful crimson costume - going on strike - for the first time in nine hundred years. For the first time - since the days of William the Conqueror.

The reason - a modern one. The beefeaters, protesting against a hike in their rent. The Yeomen of the Guard - fighting the landlord - instead of the Queen's enemies. Yes, it sounds like a script by Gilbert, set to music by Sullivan.

54:00