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China Reds Seize Ward's Aide As Spy

The System Of Hustle And Hope

By Bruce Barton

On one small matter I am in disagreement with most of the leaders of American business. They like the term "private enterprise." I do not.

To them it seems to sum up the impulse and practice that have given America its wonderful growth.

I object to it because "enterprise" is just a long word for "business" and I do not like a long word where a short word will do. As for "private," I am allergic to that, too—on a gate, on a door, or even a letter.

Taken together, the two words "private enterprise" give me the picture of a big man, shut away behind a desk in a paneled office, announcing: "This is my private business, and I don't intend to let labor or government have anything to say about it."

I claim a better phrase to describe our American scheme of things would be "the system of hustle and hope."

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Here every man has had complete freedom as to how much he would hustle and in what direction. Likewise, there has been no ceiling on the right to hope. Every mother used to tell her son that "any boy can be President."

One day in college the professor of political economy said: "If you gentlemen are ever called upon to debate socialism, just ask your opponent this question: 'How, under socialism, are you going to get people to work?'"

That remark lay almost forgotten in my mind until the British Labor Party won in England and began to reduce all men to the same low level, with no incentive for extra effort, no promise of brighter hope. Then I suddenly remembered it, and nothing that has happened since in England—the constant rationing, the ever-ending strikes—has surprised me very much.

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Not all England's troubles, of course, are of recent origin. As long ago as 1900, Brooks Adams wrote a book called American Economic Supremacy which contained an amazingly prophetic chapter on "The Decay of England."

He pointed out that agriculture had become unprofitable in England as long ago as 1879; that for years foreigners, seeking to do business with the English, had complained that plants were obsolete, prices too high, and orders a long time being filled because the English took too long week-ends, too many holidays, and had too little willingness to work.

World Wars I and II wounded England sorely, but she would have been in trouble anyway. Since the turn of the century she had found it harder and harder to compete with the United States in the markets of the world.

Now she has made her bad troubles into hopeless troubles. She has turned to socialism.

Socialism is the death-knell of hustle and hope.

TV Show May Have Played Part

Truman Tightens Atom Security

By MARVIN L. ARROWSMITH

WASHINGTON —(AP)— A high Government official said privately today that a Senator's television discussion of atomic weapons helped touch off a presidential crackdown on talk about defense secrets.

But the Senator — Edwin C. Johnson (D-Colo) — denied emphatically that the broadcast had any part in President Truman's action late yesterday. And Johnson reiterated that he thinks there has been too little secrecy —not too much — about the atomic energy program.

The President late yesterday directed Attorney General McGrath to tighten up the safeguarding of atomic and other national security information. McGrath and Sen. McMahon (D-Conn), chairman of the Senate-House Atomic Energy Committee, told newsmen about the order after conferring with Mr. Truman for more than an hour.

Neither McGrath, nor McMahon would say what prompted the directive. They declined to answer questions about Johnson.

But an official entirely familiar with the reasons for the crackdown order told a reporter: "There has been a series of incidents endangering security which distrubed the President, but it is safe to say that the whole thing was brought to a head by the Johnson telecast."

The television program to which he referred originated in New York on Nov. 1. The subject of the panel discussion was: "Is there too much secrecy in our atomic program?"

Johnson, a member of the Joint Atomic Committee, argued that there is not enough secrecy. But during the debate he asserted that:

1. This country's scientists have developed an A-bomb which has six times the effectiveness of the bomb dropped at Nagasaki in 1945.

2. The United States is working — and has made considerable progress — on an A-bomb 1,000 times more powerful than the Nagasaki weapon.

3. American scientists have gone far toward finding a way to explode an enemy bomb before it reaches its target.

Johnson said later that he disclosed nothing that was not already public information. And he said that in referring to the data during the telecast as "top secret" he was talking about "know-how"—knowledge of how to manufacture the things he discussed.

Johnson said he was told by a "top source" after yesterday's White House conference that the telecast in which he participated was in no way responsible for Mr. Truman's order.

But the official who reported that the telecast did play a big part in the order said Johnson's remarks "were the culmination of events" which caused Mr. Truman to take action.

Vice Consul Is Arrested At Mukden

Report Received From Ward

WASHINGTON— (AP) — Angus Ward's chief aide in the American consulate at Mukden has been seized by Communist authorities in connection with "spying charges".

The information came to the State Department today in a report from Consul General Ward, just released by the Chinese Reds after conviction on a charge of beating a Chinese worker in the consulate.

Ward himself and four members of his staff were held for a month before they were sentenced, their sentences suspended, and they were ordered out of the country. They were freed last Monday.

Ward reported that his vice consul, 26-year-old William N. Stokes, a native of Hartford, Conn., had been taken to "court" without warrent.

PROTEST ORDERED

The State Department ordered Consul General O. Edmund Clubb at Peiping, to file "the strongest protest" with the Chinese Communist leaders "over this unwarranted treatment."

At the same time the department declared that "any allegations that members of the consulate general staff in Mukden engaged in espionage are ridiculous and absolutely false."

Ward said he had not been able to find out whether the Mukden Communists wanted Stokes as a witness, as a defendant or in some other capacity.

Stokes was "removed" from the consulate at 9:00 A. M. Saturday, Mukden time (8:00 P. M. Friday, Washington time).

Ward was refused permission to accompany Stokes "to the hearing," he informed the State Department.

More than six hours later, the State Department said, Ward reported that Stokes had not returned to the consulate and that he had been unable to obtain information of any kind on the "detention".

During the time that Ward and his other aides were being held incommunicado, the youthful Vice Consul Stokes was the man who got out fragmentary reports on what was going on.

State Department officials said he is the number two diplomat at Mukden, Ward being number one.

COLUMBIA GRADUATE

His home town was given as Staten Island, New York. He is a graduate of Columbia University (1943) and Chicago University (1946), served in the Army from 1943-1946 with the rank of captain and entered the foreign service in October, 1946.

A little more than a month later he was sent to Mukden, his first foreign diplomatic post.

IT AIN'T HAY BUT DOBBIN TRIES IT

Old Dobbin tries to take a bite out of this new fangled parking meter which has just been installed at Worcester, Mass. He didn't indicate whether he intends to eat it, drink it or just show his disgust for the modern gadget. Neither teeth nor parking meter was hurt. (AP Wirephoto.)

Church And Third To Be Building Site

South Carolina Men Working On Plan

By EMERY WISTER
Charlotte News Staff Writer

An eighteen-story office building will be erected at the southwest corner of S. Church and W. 3rd Sts., The News learned today.

While details could not be obtained from the builders about the skyscraper, it is known that it will be erected by a group of South Carolina men.

James H. Carson and Homer A. McNeely of the Carson Realty Co., handled the negotiations for the men.

The property is owned by the E. C. Griffith Co. and at present is under lease to the Mecklenburg Motors Co. which operates a used car lot there.

TO BE AIR-CONDITIONED

Final plans are being drawn for the structure and it is expected that work will be started upon their completion. It is understood that the building will be air-conditioned.

The structure will cost several millions of dollars and will replace the Johnston Bldg. as the second highest building in the city. Highest building is the twenty-story Liberty Life Bldg., completed in 1926.

Several firms are reported to be interested in occupying space in the building. It is understood that the Southern Bell Telephone Co., whose offices are scattered over the uptown district, is desirous of consolidating these offices in one building. This firm alone would require several floors. In addition several insurance companies and finance companies have expressed interest in the proposal. One of the city's leading radio stations is reportedly desirous of occupying several floors for its operations.

The project has been in the progress of negotiation for a year or more and reached the definite stage following a conference of interested parties some time ago.

As proposed the building would be the only large air-conditioned office structure in the city. The building will fill a long-felt need here for modern office space.

Recognition Of Regime Withheld

Panama Upheaval Worries U.S.

By NORMAN CARIGNAN

WASHINGTON —(AP)— The recent upheaval in Panama has deepened United States concern over the uneasy political situation in much of Latin America.

The State Department's anxiety is underscored by its apparent decision to take its time in extending diplomatic recognition to Panama's new revolutionary Government, and by its sharp criticism of the method that Government used to seize power.

In the past year or so there have been serious uprisings in five Latin American nations, and considerable unrest in several others.

Besides being troubled by the general situation, American officials look with great uncertainty on the political views of Arnulfo Arias, Panama's self-proclaimed President.

SHARP U. S. CRITIC

Arias, while he spoke of cordial relations with the United States, has long been one of this country's sharpest critics in Latin America.

His seizure of power in the face of a Supreme Court decision that Daniel Chanis Jr., was the country's lawful President brought a sharply-worded comment yesterday from Assistant Secretary of State Edward G. Miller.

"Our reaction to this disregard of the decision of duly elected authority is one of profound shock," Miller told a news conference.

"These events in Panama cannot but be a most serious blow to democratic procedures and to the inter-American system in general."

Miller went on to say that seizure of the Government reins by Arias automatically broke diplomatic relations with the United States because the U. S. ambassador is now "accredited to a Government that no longer is in power." The ambassador is Monnett Davis.

Miller said that before taking any action on the diplomatic recognition question, the department will wait until the Panamanian situation is "clarified." Then it intends to go through the laborate, time-consuming machinery of inter-American consultations.

These talks among the hemisphere nations are routine procedure in such cases. But in making a point of this yesterday, Miller indicated that the U. S. is in no hurry to move.

Arias, insisting that he came to power legitimately, followed up Miller's statement with one of his own saying that he expects United States recognition "sooner or later."

There seemed little doubt that he will get it eventually, assuming he continues as president.

U. S. Firm's Offices Are Stoned In Panama

PANAMA, Panama —(AP)— Office of the U. S.-owned Panama Power & Light Co. were stoned today, a few hours after publication of the

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Secret Session Reported Between Lewis, Operators

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Federal Mediation Chief Cyrus Ching was reported today to have brought John L. Lewis and the chief spokesman for most of the nation's coal producers into a secret conference yesterday.

None of the principals would discuss the reports, which had wide circulation among persons closely concerned with efforts to head off a new mine strike upon the expiration of the present truce Nov. 30.

But circumstantial accounts had the session taking place in Winchester, Va., with Frank Amos, chairman of the Northern and Western operators' negotiating committee, representing the mine owners.

LEWIS SILENT

Lewis himself spent this morning at United Mine Workers headquarters and said afterward he would have no comment on any of the developments of the last 48 hours.

Ching likewise had nothing to say to reporters, though he was known to have been mysteriously active.

Additional credibility was given the report of the Winchester meeting by a bid from Southern sented there, for renewed contract talks with Lewis.

In the welter of reports there was one acknowledged development —the UMW finally confirmed that its policy committee will meet Monday in New York. The session will begin at 3 P. M. (EST) at the Roosevelt Hotel. On its outcome may hinge the question of whether the miners will walk out again Dec. 1.

Joseph E. Moody president of the Southern Coal Producers Association, said his group "felt it was time to resume negotiations."

The contract discussions were broken off by the Southern operators, as well as by representatives of mine owners in the North and West, during October.

"Mr. Lewis can advise us if he thinks it's possible to come to terms on a contract," Moody told reporters last night after telegraphing the mine leader that he was willing to reopen negotiations.

Reports persisted, despite some denials, that other operator groups also might invite peace talks with Lewis any hour.

There have been broad hints that Lewis is ready to extend the present strike truce beyond next Thursday, if the operators showed some signs of making a contract proposition. The three-week truce which Lewis called on Nov. 9 expires next Wednesday at midnight.

Meetings of soft coal operators in Pittsburgh failed to produce any big decisions as the truce deadline approached, leaving it up to Lewis to make a move.

Besides extending the truce another 30 days or so, Lewis could allow the miners to resume their strike.

European Federation Gets French Backing

PARIS — (AP) — France's National Assembly in a historic move today called on Western Europe to unite in a political and economic federation that would include Western Germany.

The French assembly is the first European parliament to endorse recommendations of the 12-nation European consultative assembly, which met last Summer at Strasbourg and called for a united Europe.

After four days of almost continous debate, the assembly also approved the Government's general policy toward Germany which calls for relaxing occupation controls by Western powers in exchange for security guarantees. The guarantees would guard against possible future German militarism

ALL-NIGHT SESSION

The resolution supporting the federation plan and the Western Allies' policy in Germany was adopted 327 to 249, after an all-night session.

The recommended inclusion of Western Germany in the proposed federation paves the way for the Bonn republic's government to take part for the first time since the war in the European family of nations.

The assembly approved Germany's admission as an associate member into the Council of house, the Consultative Assembly. Such membership would not give Germany representation in the more powerful Committee of (foreign) Ministers, the Council's upper house.

The resolution was presented by members of the three big political parties that make up the present coalition government of Premier George Bidault—the Popular Republicans (MRP), the Socialists and the Radical-Socialists (moderate).

It called for:

1. Establishment of a "European political authority" within the shortest possible time. The Strasbourg assembly first coined this phrase to designate the proposed supra-national body.

2. Unification of European economies through the Marshall Plan's organization of European Economic Co-operation (OEEC).

3. Censure of the European council's twelve foreign ministers for refusing to give more powers to the Consultative Assembly as recommended at the recent Strasbourg session.

4. Putting the OEEC under the European council.

5. Western Germany's admission into the Consultative Assembly on condition the Germans show they are willing to obey the council's statutes.

6. Prohibiting Germany from maintaining armed forces and from joining the North Atlantic Defense Act.

7. Placing the rich Ruhr Valley mines and mills under international control.

8. Intructing the French Government to oppose any rebuilding of Germany's war industries.

Before the history-making resolution was passed, the assembly rejected 424 to 182 a Communist resolution opposing the Government's policy. The Communist resolution also called for denunciation of U. S. European aid and the North Atlantic pact.

U. S. Protests Soldier's Death

BERLIN — (AP) — Maj. Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor filed a strongly worded protest with the Russians today on the fatal shooting of an American Air Force sergeant by a Russian sentry last night. The Army identified the dead soldier as Staff Sgt. John E. Staff of Ramsey, Ill.

Gen. Taylor charged the sentry was guilty of "senseless brutality."

The American commandant carried the protest personally to Maj. Gen. Alexander Kotikov, Soviet commander in Berlin.

U. S. Army authorities, after an inquiry, gave this version of the incident through a spokesman:

The sergeant, two soldier comrades and a German girl were "joy-riding" in an official Air Force automobile in the British sector near Gatow airfield.

They came to the Russian zone border without knowing it until a Soviet soldier halted them at an obscure checkpoint.

The driver spun the car around toward the British sector and refused to heed a command to halt. The Russian shot through the back of the car and hit the sergeant in the head. He died later in the R. A. F. hospital at Gatow.

The spokesman said the Russian "apparently tried to indicate in some way or another that the car should come inside the Russian zone."

This the driver refused to do. Two German "peoples police" on sentry duty with the Soviet soldier did not participate in the shooting. The Russian fired several shots at the retreating automobile, the spokesman said.

Fraternity Race Barriers Hit

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The National Interfraternity Conference recommended today that college Greek letter societies wipe out any existing barriers to membership based on race, religion or nationality.

The precedent-making decision came 24 hours after the group's executive committee had decided not to take up the issue. The standing vote was 36 to 3.

This meant that 19 of the 58 member societies did not vote on the resolution, the most controversial issue of the session.

The action was a victory for a group of undergraduates who have no vote in the conference of graduate fraternity officers. Student interfraternity council leaders from New England and "Big Ten" colleges prevailed on delegates to revive the bias issue after it was excluded from the program.

Alexander Goodman of Baltimore, executive secretary of Phi Alpha Fraternity, introduced the measure for them, but it did not get through as offered.

Bojangles Robinson Dies At 71 Of Heart Ailment

By JOHN RANDOLPH

NEW YORK — (AP)—Bojangles danced his way upstairs again last night . . . for the last time.

Death came to America's great tap dancer — the smiling Negro with the twinkling feet — while he slept under an oxygen tent with a failing heart.

Once before, when asleep, Bill Robinson had dreamed his famous upstairs-tap routine — and woke to make a fortune with it.

"I was being made a lord by the King of England," he explained, "and he was standing at the head of a flight of stairs. Rather than walk, I danced up to get it."

Robinson, 71, had been a public entertainer from the age of eight. He carried his nickname, "Bojangles," for almost 40 years. It meant happy-go-lucky.

He began as a little stable boy dancing for pennies in Washington beer halls, reached the top of his world on Broadway and in Hollywood, and made anywhere from $2,000,000 to $4,000,000.

But he was almost broke when he went to the hospital two weeks ago, and his friends were arranging a benefit when he died.

Robinson never really retired. He kept on dancing until his eyes failed him three months ago and he could no longer see the steps of the old routine. He kept in top-notch training until the end. To celebrate his 60th birthday, he danced 60 blocks down Broadway.

With him when he died was his second wife, Elaine. Also present were his sister, Mrs. Dorothy Smalls, and Marty Forkins, his manager since the early 1900's.

Although he made to up $2,000 a week in show business and $6,000 a week in the movies, cash never stayed with him very long. He gave lavishly to charity —both in money and benefit performances—and he liked to gamble. He was also a crackerjack pool player.

Probably his most famous movie appearance was in "The Little Colonel" in 1933 with Shirley Temple — who called him "Uncle Bill" from then on.

Robinson will lie in state in the Abyssinian Church from 2:30 P. M. tomorrow. Services will be at noon Monday, with burial in the actor's section of the Evergreen Cemetery in Brooklyn.

Woman Victim Of Sex Fiend

PITTSBURGH —(AP)— Police today questioned an unidentified suspect a few hours after the discovery of the battered body of a 38-year-old woman in Pittsburgh's East End.

The body of Jean Brusco was found grotesquely sprawled in the rear of a house across the street from her home. Police said evidence indicated she had been raped.

The grisly discovery followed a police search of the area spurred by a report that she had been slugged and taken away in a car by a strange man.

PICKED UP AT SCENE

Police said the suspect was picked up at the murder scene. They said there was blood under the man's fingernails and on his shirt. He insisted he was injured in a fall.

No charges have been placed against the man, they said.

The attractive sales girl's head was crushed, her eyes blacked and her clothing disarranged. Officers said repeated blows by a blunt instrument probably caused her death.

Eight hours separated the time her abduction was reported and discovery of her body.

Neighbors said they saw a man hit a woman they believed to be Miss Brusco on the head with a beer bottle and drag her into his car.

A milkman, Frank A. Flanegin, discovered the body sprawled at the foot of an outside stairway leading to a second floor home in the Shadyside district.

Parachuting Santa Misses Square, Lands In River

GALLIPOLIS, Ohio — (AP) — There was a slight hitch in a visit by Santa Claus to Gallipolis yesterday.

Oh, the kids got their candy, and pats on the head, and a smile. There were more than 1000 of them. And, they were happy about the whole thing before it was over.

But, you see, Santa Claus, who was supposed to parachute into Public Square, miscalculated. He hit the middle of a very cold Ohio River instead.

"Santa Claus is drowning," screamed the kids.

"Let's go," said the crew of a rescue boat.

There was no comment from Santa Claus. He was too cold.

Gargantua 'Ghost' Throws Big Scare Into Plane's Crew

BALTIMORE —(AP)— Even in death, the great Gargantua was able to strike something akin to terror in human hearts.

The body of the great ape was flown to Baltimore early today for autopsy and dissection at Johns Hopkins Hospital. The 550-pound star of the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey show died in Miami yesterday.

The big box containing the body was the only cargo in the National Airlines plane. Capt. Victor Fite and Co-Pilot Stewart, reported that enroute a coffee container hanging from the control room ceiling dropped to the deck with a "noise that made both of us jump nearly out of our seats."

"He may have been dead when he left Miami," Fite said, "but we were jittery all the way after that can dropped."

At Hopkins, an autopsy was to be performed to determine whether Gargantua died of pneumonia or cancer. Afterward, the body was to be dissected for anatomical study.

Jeweler Does Fast Thinking, Shooting

Tables Turned On Pittsburgh Robber

PITTSBURGH—(AP)—One man is in jail today on armed robbery charges and police are looking for his confederate, who may be wounded—thanks to the quick thinking and shooting of a Pittsburgh jeweler.

The two gunmen walked into the home of Jeweler Irving Schiffman, 39, last night and forced him and his wife to hand over $170 in cash and $150 from a safe.

While they were collecting the money the Schiffman's two daughters, Shirley, 17, and Barbara, 12, came home. One man held the women and their maid, Caroline Dragich, at gun point while his companion forced Schiffman outside.

Schiffman told this story:

His two cars were parked in the driveway and the bandit headed for one of them. Schiffman protested that it was out of gasoline and he would have to drive the other.

"I carry a loaded revolver in my business car," he explained to a reporter.

The gunman directed Schiffman to drive to his jewelry store.

"I told him 'You'll never get away with this, there's a night watchman on duty there and we have protective service.'"

He quoted the gunman as saying: "I'll take care of the watchman—I'll kill him if necessary."

"That's when I got panicky and when he pulled up to the curb near my store I kicked him out of the car, pulled my gun out of the compartment and fired one shot at him. He ran and I ran after him and fired three more bullets. I think I hit him."

Patrolman Martin Lappe, who was off duty, came to Schiffman's aid. He alerted police who sent a swarm of squad cars to the Schiffman home.

Meanwhile Lappe telephoned Schiffman's home and posed as a friend of the family.

The alleged robber talked to the patrolman but apparently became frightened and hung up.

As he rushed from the house police captured him without a struggle.

Police identified him as Philip Garner, 22, of South Greensburg, Pa., and charged him with armed robbery.

Md. Congressman Robbed Of Wallet

TOWSON, Md.—(AP)—Rep. William P. Bolton (D - Md) was knocked down early today by two Negroes and robbed of his wallet. He was unhurt.

There was no money in the wallet, but the holdup men overlooked about $100 in cash Bolton was carrying in another pocket.

Bolton, who is in his sixties, had put his car in his garage and was walking around to the front door of his home shortly after midnight when the two men approached.

He started to run, he told police, but the men overtook him and he was knocked to the sidewalk by a blow in the jaw.

CHURCHILL BETTER

LONDON —(AP)— Winston Churchill's home reported today he is "making progress" in his recovery from a bad cold which has kept him indoors all week.

Once Over Lightly

BY WALTER SEIGENTHALER

Keeping records never meant much to me. I can always guess within 35 cents of what's on hand. . . . Reckon you could call Hollywood a Separation Center.