

Around the World—

## Hungary Calls U. S. Aid 'Liar,' Defends Charges Made Against Cardinal

### Exchange of Letters Between Prelate, American Ministers Cited as Traitorous

BUDAPEST, Dec. 31 (UPI)—The Hungarian government today called U. S. Undersecretary of State Robert A. Lovett a "liar" because he said Wednesday that the charges of plotting, spying and treason brought against Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty were patently false.

"The foreign accomplices (of) wash themselves by impudent denials," an official communiqué said.

The government arrested Cardinal Mindszenty early this week on charges of plotting with the Western powers, particularly the United States, to restore Archduke Otto of Hapsburg to a Hungarian throne.

The communiqué was accompanied by photostatic copies of three letters which the government alleged were exchanged between the Cardinal and two American ministers to Budapest in 1946 and 1947. Further documentary revelations were promised.

The American letters as published constituted formal diplomatic acknowledgment of Cardinal Mindszenty's requests for American aid, which were answered with the definite statement that the United States was following a policy of non-interference in internal Hungarian affairs.

"Although we know Mr. Lovett will continue his lies, we also know these documents, and those which will be made public later, will convince objective public opinion that in the Mindszenty case there is no question of prosecution of religion," the communiqué said.

"It is merely a question of bringing the traitor to book."

**London**

RUSSIA climaxed a month-long feud with the Belgrade regime of Marshal Tito today by applying virtual economic sanctions against Yugoslavia.

Moscow announced that economic co-operation between Russia and Yugoslavia was all but over. A Tass dispatch broadcast from Moscow blamed the course of events on "the unfriendly policy of the Yugoslav government toward the Soviet Union."

Tass reported that a new trade agreement between Russia and Yugoslavia for 1948 was signed in Moscow last Monday. The foreign trade ministry said Yugoslavia would get only one-eighth as much goods as heretofore.

**Moscow**

RUSSIA reported today that all Soviet troops have been withdrawn from Korea and denounced the United States for not doing likewise.

An official announcement of the troop withdrawal stressed an allegation that the United States has refused to comply with a request by the Korean people's supreme assembly to evacuate by Jan. 1.

The Moscow radio charged today that the United States was engaged in an armaments race at the expense of the American standard of living. A Moscow commentator said: "The United States maintained land forces three and a half times as large as before the war, an Air Force 17 times as the size of the pre-war force, a Navy three and a half times as great as the pre-war fleet and allocated 31.1 per cent of the national budget, or \$15,200,000,000, for military purposes."

**Tokyo**

GEN. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR restored to the Japanese people today the right to display their national flag without restriction within the country's territorial limits. But the supreme allied commander of Far Eastern occupied areas notified the Japanese that he expected the flag to become "a symbol of peace" that shall summon every Japanese citizen resolutely to the duty of building Japan's economic stature."

**England**

A YEAR-END storm dumped four to eight inches of snow on northern England today and swept across the English Channel into France with winds approaching cyclonic force. The storm, and floods that followed, caused considerable property damage in Great Britain, but few casualties.

**Secret of Bounce in Rubber Sought**

AKRON, O. (UPI)—In addition to its explosive powers and medical uses, atomic energy may provide the answer to a 200-year-old question, Dr. Howard E. Fritz believes.

The question uppermost in the mind of the vice president in charge of research for the B. F. Goodrich Co. is: "What makes rubber bounce?"

"Researchers still are unable to explain scientifically what puts the bounce in rubber," he said. "We believe that such by-products of atomic energy as radioactive tritium will not only help us to solve these and other mysterious but also will result in better rubber products."

**Illinois U. Makes Fasimile Tests**

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (UPI)—The University of Illinois School of Journalism is making experiments in facsimile newspaper production, putting out a "newspaper" by radio.

The school has borrowed a sender and two receivers.

**And There Was Dark**

RALEIGH, Tenn. (UPI)—"How would you feel if the lights of the church suddenly went out?" a speaker asked the congregation at Raleigh Christian Church.

A moment later the lights flickered and services stopped until a new fuse was put in.

## Time Reported Needed to Bare Full Spy Facts

### Probers Believe Hundreds Involved

By TONY SMITH  
Scripps-Howard Staff Writer  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 31—

Months of investigation, prosecutions and trials lie ahead before the American people will have an adequate idea of the extent of Russian espionage in the United States, House spy experts believe.

They said hundreds of American Communists and their dupes already appear to be involved in the complicated rings the Russians operated to obtain our military, scientific and political secrets.

The Un-American Activities Committee's final 1948 report on the Communist espionage case concluded the spy network was carefully developed over 25 years, or more. Also, that it has been successful "to a degree alarming and safety" of the people of the United States.

Supplementing the report, some of committee members said it was possible that Russia obtained an almost complete file of every important document in the State Department before and during the war.

**Spies Thorough**

They pointed out the Soviet spies were notably thorough. In the Canadian atom-spy case, it was recalled, the Soviet agents planned to photograph the entire contents of the library maintained by Canada's defense council before they were caught.

The enormity of the project staggered Canadian investigators.

It was with this in mind that the committee interviewed ex-Communist Whitaker Chambers early this week in a five-hour session.

The committee reported that at the time Mr. Chambers functioned as an alleged courier for the underground, parallel spy rings also were operating. They functioned with equal success and have continued, the report said.

Mr. Chambers informed the committee that the microfilm of several hundred documents which he turned over to the investigators represented only one of 52 batches of confidential material delivered to Russian agents.

He operated the "pick-up" once a week for almost a year, the report stated.

Mr. Chambers had two sources of information in the State Department, the report said. It said he operated in this way:

**Operation Explained**

"The source would bring the documents out in a briefcase and take them home. There, Mr. Chambers would take the briefcase and go on to meet a photographic expert. The expert would take the briefcase and documents to a laboratory in Baltimore, put the documents on film, and return the briefcase and contents to Mr. Chambers the same night.

After returning the originals, Mr. Chambers would pick up the microfilms in Baltimore, put them in a tobacco pouch, and carry them to New York. There, he would deliver them to Col. Boris Bykov, director of the Russian secret police in this country.

The Association operated at 307 N. Pennsylvania St. five years, moving when the news took over those offices.

**Pays Conscience Debt After 25-Year Lapse**

CLEBURNE, Tex. (UPI)—W. H. Gray, operator of a grocery here, is richer by \$25 because of a debt payment after 25 years.

A man who left here 25 years ago sent Mr. Gray a check and a letter explaining he wanted to settle up past debts after being "converted to Christian faith."

**FIRST SECRETARY**

Joseph Henry (1797-1878), who constructed the first electromagnetic motor, was the first secretary of the Smithsonian Institution.

**Peaches of the Beaches**

Times Washington Bureau  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 31—With the 80th Congress ending today, Majority Leader Charles A. Halleck (R. Ind.) loses his title.

But his office address likely will remain the Capitol, Washington, D. C. For there is a close working relationship between the incoming Democratic leadership and the outgoing Rep.

McCormack to Return

In the 81st Congress Rep. John W. McCormack (D. Mass.) will return to the office of majority leader. During the two-year interim of GOP rule, Mr. McCormack has retained offices in the Capitol and it is here the switch is likely to be made leaving Mr. Halleck and his reduced staff in the Capitol building instead of moving back to one of the House office buildings.

Should he remain, as now seems certain, it will be a tribute to the Hoosier Congressman's popularity with the opposition as well as the leaders of his own party in the House.

Most of the defeated Republicans failed to return for the adjournment session. Rep. Ralph Harvey (R. Ind.), who was re-elected, was on hand, however.

**Street Afire' Alarm Proves Literal Truth**

MAGNA, Utah (UPI)—Firemen were skeptical when someone called and said a street was on fire. It was true, though.

Flames 10 to 15 feet high were shooting up from the macadamized roadway. The department attributed the blaze to over-flowing gasoline from somebody's tank.

right), Esther Williams, movie stars Virginia Mayo (left), Janis Paige, Jane Russell (upper right), and Betty Grable.

THE INDIANAPOLIS TIMES

'Don't Propose to Tell Old-Timers How to Run House'



Congressman-elect Andrew Jacobs . . . Ring out the old, ring in the new in House chairmanships.

## Jacobs Lists Viewpoints On Congressional Reforms

### New Hoosier Representative Opposed to Seniority Recognition in Picking Chairmen

By DAN KIDNEY, Times Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31—Seniority shouldn't put seniority in the powerful chairmanships of the House of Representatives in the opinion of the new Indianapolis Congressman—Andrew Jacobs.

Mr. Jacobs is moving his staff today from retiring Rep. Louis Ludlow's office to one on the second floor of the old House Office renomination and his seat was

will take office at the opening of the 81st Congress next Monday.

Mr. Jacobs took time out to comment on the much discussed proposals for reform of congressional procedures.

"I received a letter from Rep. Herman P. Eberhardt (D. Pa.) asking me to support changes in the setup of the House rules committee and in the rules of the House," Mr. Jacobs explained.

"Then I received a letter from Rep. Howard W. Smith (D. Va.) telling me to oppose such proposed changes.

**Bit Confused**

"I confess I'm a bit confused by this conflict of advice from long-term members of my party here. So I wrote Mr. Smith a letter asking him for more details regarding his contention that the rules committee is not used to thwart the majority of the House in any given piece of legislation.

I had the impression that was what had been happening and I want further light on the subject.

"As a freshman I do not propose to tell old-timers how the House should be run. So I'm not absolutely opposed to some seniority recognition in the selection of committee chairmen. I am against letting seniority seat seniority in such powerful positions

however.

**Witness Oaths**

"How that problem is to be solved I do not know, but I am all for seeking some solution to it. I feel that the seniority system has been carried to extremes and thus loses some of its merit."

After Mrs. Jacobs and the three children watch the oath taking, they will drive back to Indianapolis where the children will finish the current semester in their schools.

Marjorie is a freshman at St. Agnes, Andrew Jr. a senior at Shortridge and Wanda Lee a freshman at Marian College. She will enter St. Mary's of the Woods at Terre Haute and the other two return to attend schools here. The family has a new home at 2313 15th St. N.W.

**Convicts Find They, Too, Can Contribute**

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI)—Hardened criminals at the Utah state prison are convinced they have contributed to society in their own way.

The inventors expects his truck to be able to carry more than its own weight over average roads. He also states that it can be parachuted from a transport plane in flight, or even "plummeted" without benefit of a forward-projecting footrest.

**Steering Tiller**

Steering is by tiller instead of steering-wheel, with throttle control taken care of by a finger lever on the tiller's hand-grip with a flexible cable leading back to the engine, which is placed at the rear.

There are no springs; balloon tires are expected to take out the worst of the bumps—the rest you'll have to absorb yourself, in the natural way.

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**Radio Gift Winner Nearly Loses Faith**

XENIA, O. (UPI)—A clerical error nearly destroyed Joseph E. Chamberlain's faith in radio given away shows.

Mr. Chamberlain reported that none of the \$7500 worth of prizes promised him by a network quiz program had materialized.

The show's master of ceremonies in New York explained that a paper error had sent Mr. Chamberlain's winnings to some one else.

Mr. Chamberlain said four of the prizes were delivered while he was talking to the MC on the telephone. He had been promised the other awards soon.

**CARNIVAL**

By Dick Turner

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## Hitch-Hiker, 25, Dons Diaper, Top Hat as 'Baby 1949'

PHOENIX, Ariz. Dec. 31 (UPI)—Phoenix citizens were on the lookout today for a hitch-hiking psychology student clad in an over-size diaper and silk top hat, dressed as "Baby 1949."

John Hatley, 25, Arizona State College student, said he would reach Phoenix by midnight tonight from Seattle, Wash.

Last week he hitched from Phoenix to Seattle wearing a Santa Claus suit. He said he wanted to test "human reactions" of motorists who pick him up.

His current attire, however, caused him an unscheduled delay at Cottage Grove, Ore., where he was jailed briefly on the complaint of a citizen that the costume was "indecent."

MR. HATLEY was last reported at Medford, Ore., 120 miles south of Cottage Grove.

He said he is keeping a case history of all motorists who give him rides.

"One woman told me she wasn't surprised by anything," he said. "Her husband had taken a bubble bath the night before."

**Friction Seen In Dailey Blast**

**Mayor Hits Back At Prosecutor-Elect**

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