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The "Aruba" Mutiny

What drama and excitement the word of mutiny on the high seas conveys! Like the cries of "Land!", "Abandon Ship!", and "Thar she blows!", the call to mutiny rings with challenge, and evokes scenes of grave decisions, great deeds, and brave men.

Those who love the tales of the sea—and who does not?—can hardly wait to hear the details of what has been happening on the Finnish tanker "Aruba," the ship loaded with jet fuel consigned to the Chinese Communists. The "Aruba's" crew refused to obey orders to sail on to the Hong Kong destination. At last report, the ship is going to unload the fuel at the Romanian port of Constantza and let the Reds worry about getting it to their airfields.

What made the crew decide to take matters into its own hands, break their contract, defy their bosses, and deny the Communists easy access to 13,000 tons of high-grade kerosene (which is enough for 5,000 jet missions)? Was the motive for mutiny merely saving their own skins if the "Aruba" should have been attacked by Nationalists? As neutral Finns, they technically would have no direct interest in the fight between Red China and Chiang or the Soviets and the U. S. But are they neutral, these proud and independent Norsemen? Were there some among that crew who remembered the Russian rape of their homeland and saw this chance for revenge against the feared Communists?

This is a story that ought to have every top U. S. news service and magazine waiting at the dock when the "Aruba" ties up at an accessible port. And the world will be watching to see what disciplinary measures are taken, and what effect this precedent will have on other men engaged in the precarious business of trading with the Reds. Perhaps this mutiny will go down in history along with those at Spithead, Nore, Sheerness, Kiel, Cattaro, Kronstadt, and aboard the "Bounty" and the "Sepoy Rebellion." This might be a story that will put the "Caine" into drydock.

Revival of Peress Inquiry by Senate Group Termed Dramatic Flop, Echo of Last Year

By STEWART ALSOP

WASHINGTON — There was something strangely ghostly about the recent hearings, before what used to be the McCarthy committee, on that earth-shaking question: "Who promoted Peress?"

A visitor to the hearing suddenly found himself transported back in time to a year ago, to the endless, rambling, often boring but sometimes strangely fascinating Army-McCarthy hearings. The cast of characters was very much the same.

There was Sen. McClellan, and the handsome Stuart Symington, looking bored; and Mundt, looking as much as ever like a melting mushroom; and Irwin, of South Carolina, every inch the judge. And of course there was McCarthy himself, mangier and fatter than last year, and somehow at the same time visibly deflated. And there were the familiar witnesses—Gen. Zwicker, and Army counsel John Adams, and Army Secretary Stevens.

There were moments of rather nostalgic drama, especially when McCarthy asked one of his brilliantly loaded questions, in his ponderous, threatening, oddly halting voice. But somehow the show never really got off the ground. There was even a sort of sadness about it, as there is about most dramatic failures—perhaps especially because this was so surprisingly pale an imitation of what had gone before, and everybody is a year older so surprisingly quickly.

And yet there were certain lessons to be learned from these hearings. Take the case of Army counsel John Adams. A year ago, the Adams face—at least the upper half of it, as it appeared in the famous picture of him leaning his nose on a chair—was one of the most famous in the country. Yet at the Peress hearings Adams looked even more ghostly than the rest of the cast—almost disembodied. And with good reason.

The Peress hearing is the Adams swan song. As of April 1, he will no longer be counsel of the Army. It is not certain whether he resigned or was fired—at any rate, it was made clear to him that he was "too controversial," and that his departure would be welcomed.

Adams will merit a footnote in history. The detailed record which he kept of the pressures brought to bear on the Army by McCarthy, Cohn & Company, started McCarthy down the long road he has travelled since. But for present and practical purposes, Adams is "a poor player, who struts and frets his hour upon the stage, and then is heard no more." The poor player is worried. He has been in military or government service since 1942, and in the circumstances it is not easy to find a job. There is no job on the horizon, Adams is intelligent, and no doubt he will land on his feet. Yet his fate

should serve as a warning to all government servants under no circumstances to show any imagination or initiative, lest they be labelled "controversial."

What was most interesting about the Peress hearings, however, was that they were so boring. The caucus room of the Senate Office Building, full to bursting a year ago, was two-thirds empty, and the press tables had yawning gaps.

One reason was that the hearings were a McCarthy show, and the sullied demagogue is not really interesting any more. A year ago most of the Senate feared McCarthy—most of the country too, it often seemed. Now (thanks in part to the about-to-be unemployed Adams) McCarthy is boring rather than frightening.

But there was another reason why the Peress hearings aroused so little real excitement. The hearings had to be held as insurance against McCarthy's screams of "whitewash." Yet long before the hearings started, everybody concerned knew the real answer to the question, "Who promoted Peress?" The answer lay, of course, in the endless, tedious testimony about

how the "form 396" was not in the "201 file" but in three other places where it ought not to have been—and so on.

No single individual, but the army system—impersonal, massive, ponderous, a law unto itself—caused the Peress mess. Every army in the world has its bureaucracy. But none can even begin to compare with the American army, in mountains of paper work, miles of red tape, and rich profusion of typewriters and mimeograph machines.

It might have been a lot more useful to ask, indeed, why it was necessary for as many as sixty high and medium officers and officials to concern themselves with the firing of a left-wing dentist. The answer might reveal a lot about why we must recruit more than 60,000 men for every division in the field, while the Russians need only 22,000.

Meanwhile, it is at least reassuring that the Peress hearings were so tedious, in their ghostlike way. For the very boringness of the hearings suggests that the country has recovered a lot of its sanity in the last year. ... (Copyright 1955, New York Herald Tribune, Inc.)

Your Health

By Dr. Herman N. Bundeisen, M.D.

NEW HOPE IS OFFERED TO NEURITIS SUFFERERS
By HERMAN N. BUNDEISEN, M.D.
There is new hope for persons suffering from certain types of neuritis.

Tests conducted by Dr. Richard T. Smith of Pennsylvania Hospital indicate the administration of Protamide may speed recovery by as much as four weeks. Protamide is a solution of processed and denatured proteolytic enzyme obtained from the glandular layer of fresh hog stomach.

Just why this solution should relieve pain of neuritis victims, we do not know. But the tests of Dr. Smith indicate that it does.

Dr. William Marsh of the National Naval Medical Center has reported that Protamide is also valuable in the treatment of herpes zoster, or shingles.

There are many causes and many types of neuritis. For instance, it may develop as an aftermath of other virus infections, such as a severe upper respiratory infection.

But in all types, pain is the chief symptom.

Neuritis is an inflammation of the nerves. When it is present in the spinal root, we call it radiculitis.

Dr. Smith included 104 patients in his study. They had various types of neuritis, but all were cases where there was inflammatory involvement of the nerve root. Also, all patients had previous virus infection within three weeks before their neuritis began.

Through X-ray examinations, it was determined that none had any mechanical injuries or

wounds which might have caused the neuritis.

Intramuscular injections of 1.3 cc. of Protamide were administered once each day for five days. In cases where all pain had not been relieved within this period, Dr. Smith reported, the treatments were continued for another five days.

Eighty-four of the 104, he said, made complete recoveries within five or ten days. The average course of untreated neuritis is from three to six weeks.

It is important, Dr. Smith says, to begin treatment as quickly as possible. The 49 patients who reported complete relief within five days had been ill not longer than four days before treatment was begun.

On the other hand, the 20 patients who did not respond satisfactorily to treatment had suffered symptoms for more than a week before therapy was started.

This is what's new in medical science's never-ending fight to aid neuritis victims. But there are older effective measures doctors can take, too. I'll tell you about some of these tomorrow.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

K.M.: I have developed a number of warts at the base of my neck, due to wearing metal necklaces. Is there any medicine that removes warts?

Answer: Warts may, in some instances, be removed by cauterizing them with acetic acid, or by freezing them with carbon dioxide snow. They may also be removed by the application of nitric acid, or by means of an electric needle.

You might consult with a physician as to the best type of treatment of your warts.

Distribution of Elderly in Cities

A map showing the distribution of the population of San Francisco aged 65 and over reveals that the greatest concentration of older persons is in the downtown area. The percentage there runs to 14.6 per cent. Only one of the outlying districts, Richmond, between the Presidio and Golden Gate Park has a percentage of over 12. One on the fringe has only 2.7 per cent.

This distribution is easily confirmed by visiting the suburbs of most any city. There one finds blocks of new houses with children playing around them. The older people concentrate in the rooming houses and apartment houses in the city center. This is true both of the well-to-do and the impoverished. The former have suites in hotels or apartments, the latter crowd into flats and lodging houses. They all want to be at the center of things rather than on the outskirts. Older people are gregarious; they like to be together, and to a considerable extent are forced to be together, for middle-aged and young seek companions among their own age groups. This concentration of elderly persons offers an opportunity for social service which up to now is pretty much neglected.

The other day uranium claims were filed in Jackson County. More recently some have been filed in Clackamas County. Who will be the first to find a "hot" spot in the Silverton Hills?

Editorial Comment

FOR UN: 56 CENTS A YEAR

From complaints, printed or otherwise, one might infer that American participation in the United Nations is very expensive. In absolute figures it is. For the current year the United States' contribution to the UN budget is \$13,407,290, plus \$10,894,300 for related agencies, and \$68,354,871 for technical assistance, Korean relief, Palestine relief, Children's Fund, and other UN special programs. This totals \$92,656,461.

Yet it comes out of a federal budget calculated in billions. When the cost is spread over more than 150 million persons, the American Association for the UN figures that an average citizen's share of the direct cost of United States membership in the UN—the contribution to the UN budget—is only about eight cents a year. And that when all the UN agencies and programs are added, the total cost to the average American is about 56 cents a year.

By comparison, the AAUN News remarks, "the United States military budget is nearly \$400 per year per person."

In other words, whatever your tax bill (if you are an American), you can figure that out of each \$100 you pay approximately \$54 goes to preserve peace through national armament and defense organization, while approximately 14 cents goes to promote peace through international cooperation and humanitarianism. Does the 14 cents seem out of proportion? If so, on which side? (Christian Science Monitor).



Comes the Dawn

Well, Spring arrived wet and hopeful early last week. She is all ready to show her stuff, but apparently she can't get Old Man Winter to vacate the premises. As usual they got into their annual argument over on the hill the other day as to who should go where and when. And as usual we heard it all—and it went like this...



Spring—Okay, Mac. On your way! Take your icy fingers off my back, pack up your cold feet and get the heck out of here!

Winter—Don't get your solstices in an uproar, young lady! I've got a few nasty days up my sleeve. And I don't want to hold them over for next year. If there's anything I can't stand its left-over storms.

Spring—Listen, Cold Nose. This lease here says I was supposed to take over as of last Monday. And you, Sleety, are supposed to be long gone with your long johns. Out in the cold, if I may coin a phrase.

Winter—Every year you come dragging your equinoxes in here 'way too early. All you do is get folks wrought up. They look at the calendar and start running a round their shirtsleeves and chillblains. And I can't bring all my furies and winds to a screeching halt just because the almanac says so.

Spring—You're just being stubborn. Just because you've been roaring and howling around here for the past four months you think you own the place. Well let me tell you—you can know some of the people some of the time but you can't know all the people...

Winter—Hold it, Breezy. When it comes to snow, you're over your head. It so happens that people, especially the kids like snow. They like me, too. I'd go sooner if I really felt that people didn't...

Spring—A little of you goes a long way, Windy. People want a change now. I bring them Maybuds, green leaves, apple and cherry blossoms, daisies and crocuses and first violets.

Winter—Flowers, yet. You've lost your blooming head, girl.

Spring—And I bring the singing birds.

Winter—Spring's for the birds, alright.

Spring—You're jealous, Old Man Winter. You know people are glad to see me again. They know I mean green lawns...

Winter—And lawnmowing...

Spring—And gardens...

Winter—And aching backs...

Spring—And warm days and soft nights...

Winter—And hayfever and spring cleaning...

Spring—Stop fighting the eternal vernal, boy. You've had it and you know it. As the poet says, "the sun now passes from Aries to the Bull..."

Winter—You can say that again...

Ike Attitude on Morse to Address Wasco Democrats Yalta 'Shock' To McCarthy

WASHINGTON (UP) — Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis.) said he is "shocked beyond words" at President Eisenhower's attitude toward the Yalta Conference records.

McCarthy's latest attack on the President was provoked by Mr. Eisenhower's news conference remarks this week about publication of the 1945 Yalta Conference documents.

Mr. Eisenhower had said he favors making public all pertinent documents of all wartime secret conferences. But he added that, "There is nothing... to be gained by going back 10 years and showing that, in the light of after-events, someone may have been wrong or someone may have been right. People that are so sure that they could do this, forget one thing: You can never recapture the atmosphere of war."

McCarthy lashed out at the President in an angrily worded statement which said in part: "Yes, someone may have been wrong—someone was wrong," he said. "Wrong enough to sell into Communist slavery 600 million people; wrong enough to have wrought about the Korean War which cost so many American lives; wrong enough to set the

stage for World War III where so many lives will be lost. "But Eisenhower says, oh, let's not talk about that. Don't expose them because the reputations of those who were wrong might be damaged."

Easter Trade 'Disappoints' Businessmen

PORTLAND (AP) — Easter trade is disappointing this year, the city's leading department stores reported Saturday. They blamed cold, wet weather and the early date of this Easter.

Only one store, however, reported business under the volume of last year at this time. The others said business was about equal to 1954. All said they were disappointed, because they had expected an increase.

One store reported business ahead of last year. That is a men's wear store. A spokesman there credited the later income tax deadline for the improved trade.

Most stores reported sales trending toward the higher priced dresses and luxury items, although one women's store said sales were good in lower-priced items. A trend for color was noted in both boys' and girls' clothes.

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Time Flies FROM STATESMAN FILES

10 Years Ago

Mar. 27, 1945

A new postage stamp to be issued in observance of the United Nations conference at San Francisco will bear the name of Franklin D. Roosevelt.

A rare combination of temperature, soft snow and wind produced a seldom-seen phenomenon at Greeley, Colo. Snowballs, some as big as a foot in diameter and as carefully rolled as cotton batting were scattered over fields in the area.

The Rev. Martin Doherty, author of "The House on Humility Street" and pastor of Sacred Heart church at Gervais, is guest author at the Catholic Book tea. Father Doherty, former Chicago police reporter, made many friends in Marion county.

25 Years Ago

Mar. 27, 1930

Frank Cain was elected manager and Rufe White, secretary of the drum corps of Capital Post No. 9, American Legion. Twenty-five new recruits turned out for drum corps practices in addition to many of the old members.

Editorially—Salem is grateful to the out-of-town organizations, notably the Salem Indian school band and the Hubbard community band for participating in the Spring Opening.

Immediate response to the request of the Chamber of Commerce that a page on restaurant menus be devoted to a story of Salem and its activities, was made by two local eating places.

40 Years Ago

Mar. 27, 1915

Pullman sleeping car porters went on the witness stand before the United States commission on industrial relations and told the commission they could not pay their expenses without the "tipping" system.

The Oregon theater was well packed when a number of young Salem people gave a performance for the benefit of St. Paul's Episcopal guild. Some of those taking part were Miss Priscilla Fleming, Eugene Houston, Miss Mary Schultz, Harry Mills and Ruth Schultz.

Editorially—It is a fine tribute to the farmers of this section, the news that the flax acreage to start the proposed mills at the penitentiary has been over subscribed.

Former Salem Man Dies of Heart Attack

Funeral services for Clyde C. Madsen, 47, former Salem resident who died Friday in Longview, Wash., will be 3 p. m. Tuesday at the W. T. Rigdor funeral home. Burial will be at Belcrest Memorial Park.

Madsen, born Aug. 6, 1907 in Seattle, lived in Portland and came to Salem in about 1921 where he was a partner in Madsen's Bakery. About 10 years ago he moved to Bend where he operated a bakery, and a few months ago to Longview.

He died of a heart attack while at work in a bakery there. Madsen belonged to the Elks lodge in Bend. In Salem he lived on Rural Route 1, Wallace Road.

Besides his widow Marjorie of Longview, he leaves his father, Marcus Madsen of Salem; children Thomas and Mary Ann Madsen of Longview; brothers Carroll Madsen, Bend, and Marcus Madsen Jr., Salem, and sister Mary Lee Madsen of Salem.

Neighbors View 'Inverted' Town

CAPE MAY, N. J. (AP)—Residents of Cape May looked across Delaware Bay to Lewes, Del.—13 miles in the distance—and did a double take Thursday. Lewes appeared upside down.

The phenomenon failed to create a panic, however, because the good folk of Cape May recalled that on Feb. 16 their own town appeared topsy-turvy to the residents of Lewes.

The situation in each case was caused by a mirage. Thursday's lasted fifteen minutes. After that Lewes righted itself to viewers in Cape May.

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