

Red Chief Took Initiative

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The man-of-the-week: President Tito of Yugoslavia.

The place: New York.

The quote: "We have done, together with our friends, everything that was in our power to narrow the gap and reduce tension between East and West and to enable the Assembly to work in a constructive way. But the results achieved in this respect so far are less than modest. What is more, I feel that the atmosphere of the cold war has been intensified and this is what causes concern."

Saying that, Josip Broz-Tito, Marshal of Yugoslavia, independent Communist and one of the world's most influential neutrals, sailed for home after two weeks of politicking and maneuvering at the current United Nations General Assembly.

The stocky Communist boss of the small Balkan nation did his best to warm up the atmosphere

of the cold war while he was in New York.

He took the initiative in calling together other leading neutrals and proposing another meeting between President Eisenhower and Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev.

At its end, they came up with a formal resolution which they dropped into the Assembly hopper. It first made a "request" for Eisenhower and Khrushchev to meet in the interests of easing tensions. Then it was modified to "express hope" the two would meet.

Eisenhower and Khrushchev both rejected the suggestion before it got through the General Assembly. But they didn't say positively, Tito and his neutral cohorts — presidents Jawaharlal Nehru of India, Kwame Nkrumah of Ghana, Sukarno of Indonesia and Gamal Abdel Nasser of the United Arab Republic—had made the opening gambit.

Tito sailed for home, and Nasser left by air. Nehru stayed and pushed the neutrals' proposal at the United Nations.

It won't be for lack of trying that the American President and the Soviet premier won't meet.

For Tito, the initiative in this case was quite in character. He has risen to the top by acting on his own many times in the past.

The peasant son of peasant parents, he became a locksmith and then a professional Communist worker.

He took a poor nation of 17 million persons and made the world think it is important.

He fought the Germans in World War II and at its end emerged the victor in the intramural war with General Mikhailovich. The latter was shot, and Tito became undisputed boss of Yugoslavia.

He was anathema to the Kremlin for years, but was reconciled to an extent when Khrushchev came to power. There have been hot and cold moments in that relationship ever since, but to this day Tito remains more nationalistic than any other Communist leader.

The United States alone has poured more than two billion dollars into Yugoslavia to keep Tito as a burr under the Moscow saddle. Tito has smiled, been charming and accepted everything—giving little.

Trial Set For Airman

TOKYO (UPI) — A California airman faces trial next month in the death of a Japanese prostitute whom he admitted strangling because she dunned him for the American equivalent of \$5.55, officials at the Hachioji prosecutor's office said today.

The suspect is Airman 2.C. Ronald P. Martin, Visalia. If convicted, his sentence could range from three years imprisonment to death.

Martin was arrested shortly after the girl, Hideko Takayama, 23, was found dead in a hotel room in Fussa City, outside Yokota Air Base where Martin was stationed.

Officials said he told them he strangled her with a towel because she demanded payment of money owed her. They said he retracted one confession, but later repeated it in detail.

The date of Martin's trial has not been set, but authorities said it would not be before November because of further investigation required by the Hachioji District Court.

He is being held by U. S. Air Force authorities pending start of the trial.

Torrid Pace Being Set By Senator

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — For a man who isn't running for office, Barry Goldwater is setting a torrid pace on the campaign trail.

Arizona's Republican senator has stumped 18 states in behalf of presidential candidate Richard M. Nixon and his running mate, Henry Cabot Lodge. Goldwater says he wouldn't be surprised if he has traveled more in the past month than the candidates themselves.

So far he has waded votes and campaign funds in 63 speeches, 50 of them outside Arizona, and he considers visits to three states a day par for the course.

"My heaviest day," he recalled in an interview, "was October 1. That day I spoke at Columbia, Dillon and Orangeburg in South Carolina; three times in Augusta, Ga., and then made a TV appearance in Augusta."

Goldwater, leader of the Republican party's ultra-conservative element, has concentrated on the South, where he feels his philosophy of less federal government can do the most good for Vice President Nixon.

He extolls the virtues of a two-party system. He hammers at the theme that Arizona, like the South is predominantly Democratic but has elected a Republican governor, a Republican to one of the state's two U.S. House seats and has twice elected him to the Senate.

He has barnstormed through Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, Florida, Texas and Virginia.

Outside the South, Goldwater has spoken in Arizona, California, Iowa, Nebraska, Illinois, Oklahoma, Oregon, Indiana, New York, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and Missouri.

Although he is chairman of the GOP Senatorial Campaign Committee, Goldwater has confined most of his politicking to the presidential campaign.

Goldwater said some harsh things about Nixon before the vice president's nomination in July. He called the platform agreement between Nixon and New York Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller a "Munich" for the party and accused Nixon of a "sell-out" to the liberal New Yorker.

Laos Aid Suspended

VIENTIANE, Laos (AP)—Premier Prince Souvanna Phouma announced today American military aid to Laos has been suspended. A U.S. announcement to the same effect was made and then denied as incorrect earlier last week, causing a minor uproar.

The American Embassy here declined confirmation or denial of Souvanna's announcement. But an embassy spokesman indicated that little, if any, U.S. aid has been delivered to this civil war-torn country in recent days.

Gen. Williston B. Palmer, director of American military aid, announced in Saigon last Saturday that aid was being suspended. Palmer said that "until there is stabilization, it is difficult to send anything anywhere and know what is going to happen to it."

The American Embassy here said on Monday that Palmer's statement was a mistake and had been made "without instructions."

The embassy said at the time: "In fact, U.S. military aid to Laos has not been suspended."

Souvanna said today American military aid was suspended early last week. He said the United States has not paid the Laotian armies since August.

Before the Aug. 9 coup d'etat put Souvanna's neutralist government into power, the United States poured an average of \$40 million in aid into Laos each year. The Laotian armies have been supported entirely by that aid.

107 Million Eligible To Vote

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nearly 107 million American civilians will be old enough to vote in the November general election, the Census Bureau estimates.

But only about 64 1/2 million actually will vote, the bureau said today, if the same proportion of voting-age men and women cast ballots as in 1956.

The total presidential vote four years ago was 62,027,000, or 60.4 per cent of the 102,726,000 civilians who were then of voting age.

The census estimate of the number who will be of voting age on Nov. 8 — 106,974,000 — excludes about 1.9 million members of the armed forces at home and abroad and an unknown number of civilians abroad, some of whom would be eligible to vote.

Women of voting age, estimated at 56.1 million, will outnumber men by about 5.2 million. If members of the armed forces were included, the difference would be cut to about 3.4 million.

Census said its total includes "a great many persons who, although old enough to vote, cannot do so." Among the latter are about 2.75 million aliens; residents of jails, mental hospitals and the District of Columbia; and some who have not satisfied state requirements as to residence, registration or poll-tax payment.

Computer Display Readied

By SAM DAWSON
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NEW YORK (AP)—Business executives studying electronic data processing have an added problem of late.

The rapid growth in the number of companies making the computers—and an equally big spurt in the available kinds of machines, giant or small or in between.

Many of them are specialized for particular jobs, different sized companies, or specific industry or individual company problems.

To furnish a guide for electronic data processing itself and the machines tailored to individual company needs, a computer display area is to be set aside at the National Business Show opening October 24 in the New York Coliseum.

Called the CompuCenter, it will enclose in a compact unit some \$2.5 million worth of computers ranging from the relatively small to the large scale system.

The display will be shared by six manufacturers. A spokesman for the show admits this is but a handful of those now in the field, but the official insists the six have a wide enough range of products in the field to give most business executives a basic insight into data processing.

The six are: Bendix, Control Data Corp., Friden, Monroe, Philco and Remington Rand.

The range in computer sizes, besides educating the visitor, is aimed at showing that electronic data processing isn't confined to use by giant corporations but is efficiently available to smaller organizations.

When he has mulled the intricacies of such processing and the tools thereof, the business executive can see office equipment

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Check Slated For Charity

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Louis Lurie, one of San Francisco's best known millionaires, received his first Social Security check Thursday—\$120 worth and tax free.

Lurie, 72, said he'd give the check to the March of Dimes.

The financier-real estate king didn't collect sooner because he's still working and has no intentions of stopping.

Lurie began amassing his fortune as a newsboy in Chicago. And what was the secret?

"Never give anybody change," he quipped.

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