

GATEWAY GAZETTE

MAYOR ATTACKED BY NAZIS

By Kendell Caperman

Members of a previously-unknown but heavily armed group of Nazi holdovers from the Second World War made a daring assassination attempt against Mayor Gordon Goodman as he was returning from his recent trip to Rhodesia. The mayor was travelling on a plane owned by LexCorp West, loaned to the mayor's office for the trip by LexCorp VP Paul Pollard, who was travelling with the mayor as a member of the city's business leaders interested in possible business ties with the central African republic.

As the LexCorp plane approached Sunset City International Airport for a landing, an explosion in one of its engines crippled the plane. The pilot and copilot report that they were struggling to control the damaged craft, and they both say that the plane might well have crashed if not for the timely intervention of Dixie Hill, the well-known scientist and private investigator. Dr Hill numbers piloting among her many accomplishments, and the lovely heroine was able to bring the plane down safely.

However, once upon the ground the plane faced concentrated machine gun fire from the villainous Nazis travelling in 4 panel trucks along the runway. Two of the trucks quickly crashed, and the criminals from the other two trucks were overpowered by vigilantes. The reason for the vigilantes being present at the return of Mayor Goodman has not been explained. The mayor, well known for his tolerance for vigilantism in Sunset City, praised the actions of the masked "heroes" in defeating the Nazi menace.

Police responded to the emergency rapidly, taking custody of the apparently foreign soldiers briefly before turning them over to military authorities. Government spokesmen say that investigations into the nature of the Nazi organization behind the attack, and its reason for targeting Mayor Goodman, are underway.

LUTHOR SUPPORTS FARFIELD

By Precott Price

Nobel prize winner and business leader Dr Lex Luthor has broken his long-standing refusal to speak on political issues by issuing a press release supporting the presidential candidacy of Senator Ferris Farfield. "After long and careful consideration," Dr Luthor says, "I feel that I must state that I plan on voting for Senator Farfield in the coming election, and I offer him my full support. Senator Farfield has long shown his understanding of the importance of scientific research to the future of this great country, a cause that is dear to my heart, and I have decided that I can no longer afford the luxury of remaining neutral in political matters. In a democracy such as ours it is important for every citizen to become personally involved, and I wish to thank the senator for having reminded me of this truth." Dr Luthor's statement came as something of a surprise, as up until now the business community has not supported Senator Farfield's candidacy, seeing him as being too liberal and too much of an internationalist.

NAVAL MANEUVERS IN SUNSET BAY

By Harold Moore

Several naval ships were dispatched into the bay on short notice, military sources report. These maneuvers appear to have been intended to test readiness levels of naval vessels, and there is speculation that the recent attack by foreign troops against the mayor might have been the cause for naval officials to be concerned about how quickly their forces could react to any future threat.

USSR ACCUSES US OF VIOLATING AIR SPACE

By Jack Kemp

The Soviet Union has issued an official protest at what it calls "repeated, flagrant violations" of Soviet airspace. "Such high-altitude flyovers are a clear violation of our international sovereignty, and verge on being acts of war," the Russian ambassador to the United Nations said in a speech before that body. "We demand an immediate cessation of all such actions, and an apology by the United States for its criminal trespass." United States officials deny that any US aircraft have entered Soviet airspace.

PRISON HANDOVER A SUCCESS

By Hubert Hubbersmith

The military takeover of the Ultra-Security section of Diomedus Penitentiary is a "total success," according to military authorities. "Everyone can rest safe in the knowledge that these dangerous offenders cannot possibly escape," said the new prison warden.