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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Caroline and John-Hohn Kennedy ... today stormed the Tower of London. John-John in particular -- enthralled by all the battle armour. Scrambling through the bore of an old cannon, firing an unending stream of questions at his beefeater guard, and just scampering about in general. Both youngsters fascinated by those Crown Jewels. All in all another memorable day for the Kennedy youngsters; also, for the Tower of London, that has served Britain as Castle, prison, fortress and death house through more than Nine Centuries.

DISASTER

THE GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN TODAY RELEASED THE
FIRST OFFICIAL LIST OF CASUALTIES..IN THOSE ^{East} PAKISTAN
CYCLONES AND TIDAL WAVES OF LAST WEEK. THE TOLL..
MORE THAN TEN THOUSAND, KNOWN DEAD OR MISSING AND
PRESUMED DEAD.

UNOFFICIAL SOURCES IN THE CITY OF DACCA..HEART
OF THE DISASTER AREA...ADD THAT AT LEAST ANOTHER TEN
THOUSAND..ARE STILL MISSING. RAISING THE POTENTIAL
DEATH TOLL TO MORE THAN TWENTY THOUSAND IN ALL. TO
TOP IT OFF..THE DANGER OF EPIDEMIC GROWS DAILY, IN
AREAS BADLY DAMAGED BY THE STORMES. ^{A vast} ~~area~~ TRAGEDY.

MINE

A TREMENDOUS EXPLOSION TODAY RIPPED THROUGH ONE OF THE LARGEST COAL MINES IN BRITAIN. AT THE TOWN OF TONYPANDY..IN NORTH WALES. THE BLAST ..SIX HUNDRED ~~XX~~ FEET BELOW GROUND..KILLING THIRTY-ONE WELCH MINERS. THIRTEEN OTHERS RESCUED FROM THE FRINGE OF THE BLAST AREA..SUFFERING FROM SHOCK AND MULTIPLE INJURIES.

DOMINICAN

The Dominican Civil War continued to rage today, through the streets of Santo Domingo. The fighting so close to American positions..that spent bullets dropped on the grounds of the American Embassy. About a thousand men -- under the command of the Dominican Military Junta -- advancing steadily on rebel forces of about the same strength. A hundred or so casualties so far -- on each side.

At latest report -- the rebels were pinned between Junta troops and the U.S.-held International Security Zone. U.S. commanding General Bruce, warning -- however that neither side -- will be permitted through the American corridor. Adding that if the Junta fire endangers the security Zone, the Junta forces will be asked, as he put it, to cease and desist.

Meanwhile, the United States, the United Nations and the Vatican -- are all trying to find a formula for peace. But as yet -- no success.

TRUCKS

The President today proposed a heavier tax on big trucks. To help raise additional funds needed for completion of the inter-state highway system. The President citing studies by the Bureau of Public Roads, showing clearly that trucks are not now paying their fair share of road-building costs.

Higher taxes also sought on airliners and private planes; as well as boats and barges using the inland waterways. These -- said the President -- would help put "the cost of special services and facilities on those who reap the benefits."

VIET NAM

In Viet Nam -- two courageous U.S. Army officers today risked their lives -- to find and destroy four time bombs. The deadly missiles buried in the wreckage of Bien Hoa Air Base -- scene of that worst American disaster on the Vietnamese war, where Twenty Six Americans and Four Vietnamese were killed outright and ten jet bombers also destroyed when a five hundred pound bomb exploded on the flight line.

Despite the loss, Airforce, Navy, and Marine planes were out in force today -- in a series of strikes on guerilla targets in South Viet Nam. But for the fifth straight day -- no raids on the Communist North.

Meanwhile, ~~XXXXXXXX~~ on the ground -- U.S. Special Forces led Vietnamese irregulars -- in a surprise night attack. Hitting a large Communist force, about a Hundred and Seventy miles Northeast of Saigon. Thirty Nine Communist Viet Cong -- killed in the action. Only Two -- of the attackers.

COURT

The U.S. Supreme Court agreed today -- to hear a case involving the Nineteen-Fifty Subversive Activities Control Act. The Question: Does a Communist have to register with the government? The Subversive Activities Control Act -- says he does. And lower courts so far, have so held. But whether the law is constitutional or not -- that the High Court will now decide.

JUSTICE

The Justice Department disclosed today that it has all but stopped adding new names to its public list of Subversive Organizations. The American Nazi Party and the Minutemen are cited as two groups affected by the new policy.

Primary reasons, according to FBI director J. Edgar Hoover, the need for a public hearing -- whenever a new name is added to the list. This means that government informants, -- all "infiltrators," must act as witnesses, and thus lose their usefulness -- for future service.

Also, the American Nazis and Minutemen -- are largely paper groups, said J. Edgar, and a public hearing would merely give them the much sought after publicity -- they now find so hard to get.

MIDWIVES

FROM HYDEN, KENTUCKY..NEWS TODAY OF THE DEATH
OF MARY BRECHINRIDGE. "MISS MARY"..TO THE MOUNTAIN FOLK..
FOUNDER AND GUIDING SPIRIT BEHIND KENTUCKY'S FRONTIER
NURSING SERVICE, MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS.."MIDWIVES ON
HORSEBACK."

MISS MARY WAS THE GRANDDAUGHTER OF JOHN C.
BRECKINRIDGE..WHO LOST THE PRESIDENCY TO LINCOLN IN
1860. HER FATHER..AN ARKANSAS CONGRESSMAN AND LATER
AMBASSADOR TO RUSSIA. MISS MARY, HERSELF, AN INTERNATIONAL
CELEBRITY. WHEN SHE SPENT A SUMMER VISITING RELATIVES
IN KENTUCKY IN 1923. IT WAS THEN..SEEING THE NEED..THAT
SHE FOUNDED.."MIDWIVES ON HORSEBACK." FIRST..MISS MARY
ALONE. THEN NURSES FROM ALL OVER ~~PERMITS~~. JOINING
IN THE VENTURE. MAKING THEIR FIRST ROUNDS ON HORSEBACK..
ON TWISTING, WINDING MOUNTAIN TRAILS TO HOMES THAT HAD
NEVER BEFORE BEEN VISITED BY ANYONE,, REMOTELY CONNECTED
WITH THE MEDICAL PROFESSION. HELPING TENS OF THOUSANDS
OF KENTUCKY MOTHERS,, THROUGH THE RIGORS OF CHILDBIRTH.

CONTINUED...MIDWIVES:

MISS MARY..A LEGEND IN HER OWN TIME. HER

MONUMENT..A MODERN, MILLION DOLLAR HOSPITAL IN HYDEN,

KENTUCKY, WHICH SHE FOUNDED AND HEADED TIL ^{- Dick -} HER DEATH, ^{now} at age 84.

~~SHE WAS 84.~~