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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

A dispatch from New Delhi tells of - Red Chinese aggression against Sikkim. Communist soldiers from occupied Tibet - driving into the Himalaya border state. Pushing to a point only fourteen miles from the Sikkim capitol - Gangtok. They opened fire on an Indian patrol - but were driven off. One of the Reds - captured, was armed with - an automatic rifle. Naturally, relations between India and Red China are more tense than ever, tonight.

CONGO

Some of the world's best fighting men - are on their way from India to the Congo. Gurkhas - from the Himalayas. Once formidable foes of the British, as they pushed into the foothills of the Himalayas; later, the Gurkhas fought for the British Raj; right around the world, in wars of empire. Now they are serving independent India; and, the U. N. - by order of Prime Minister Nehru.

Today, the U. S. Air Force began a massive airlift of Gurkha soldiers. Flying three-thousand of them - to the Congo; along with - a million pounds of food and equipment.

The assignment of the Gurkhas - to help restore order in the Congo. Put an end to the barbarities perpetrated by - the beserk soldiery of the late Lumumba. The Gurkhas, to aid the U. N. forces now in the jungle. Like the U.N. patrols that today rescued the American girl - serving as a missionary in Kivu province.

SUIT

A law suit filed in Philadelphia today - involves twelve million dollars. The federal government, claiming that much - from electrical firms convicted of price fixing and rigged bids. The suit concerns purchases made by the government - over the past nine years. The plaintiffs are federal agencies - from the atomic energy commission, to the U. S. Army engineers.

RECESSION

The labor department reports - that the recession may have hit bottom. Noting, several indications - of a trend. The factory work week - held steady last month. The drop in steel employment - leveling out. Fewer claims for - jobless benefits.

But - unemployment is still severe. And Secretary of Labor Goldberg is on another swing - through the depressed areas.

PLANE

The B Fifty-Two jet bomber that crashed near Yuba City, California - was carrying a nuclear device. The area of the crash, immediately cordoned off - "in the interest of public safety." But officers from Mather Air Force Base insist - there was never any danger of an atomic explosion.

Tonight, the bomber is nothing but a mass of debris. According to one witness - "it's in a thousand pieces, over a mile-wide area." The crew - parachuting to safety.

EISENHOWER

Today on Capitol Hill - one audible vote of "no!"
Subject - restoring Dwight D. Eisenhower to five-star
rank in the army. The measure - already passed by the
Senate. Up for discussion - by the house. Settled by
a voice vote. A loud chorus of "ayes."

In the middle of it - one "no!" Cast by -
Congressman Dale Alford of Arkansas. Alford, terming
his dissent - a protest against our former President's
use of federal troops in Little Rock; that crisis of
nineteen fifty-seven, when Mr. Eisenhower sent
paratroopers to maintain order - as the schools were
integrated.

ATOMIC

The first problem in Geneva - is to see whether the Russians have really come to negotiate. So say experts dealing with the problem of a ban on atomic testing. Adding that Soviet good faith has always been the problem. And - never much in evidence.

Now, President Kennedy is sending negotiator Arthur Dean - back to the Geneva conference table; Dean, taking new proposals with him - that could be the basis of a settlement; if - the Kremlin really wants a settlement.

SAHARA

Those eleven oil technicians kidnaped in the Sahara - will return to their base camp by a round-about route. A party of Nomads kidnaped them, and ~~XXXX~~ carried them into Morocco as prisoners. Now that they've been released, why can't they go straight back? The answer is - that Morocco doesn't recognize Spanish authority in the Sahara. All of which rules out - direct negotiations at the border. Probable solution - the oil men, to be taken to Rabat, handed over to the Spanish consul, who will arrange for them to take the long way back - to the desert, and the oil they hope to find.

Anyway, all eleven technicians - are in good shape. Which might not have been the case - if they had been tribal enemies of the nomads who captured them. Kidnaping along the Moroccan frontier is an old habit - of the Bedouin. So is - throat slitting.

ROBBERY FOLLOW SAHARA

While we're discussing age old practices - how about this story from the Riviera? A story of - contemporary vikings. Or at least - a robber band, swooping in from the sea to loot and plunder; then shoving off - for deep water.

The place - Antibes, on the French Riviera.

Objective - a plush villa belonging to Mrs. Georgette Saffian - of New York. The thieves obviously knew - when no one would be at her Villa. They sailed in shore at dawn - aboard a motor launch, broke into the building - and made off with a safe containing fifty-thousand dollars. Also, a painting and a mink coat - each worth some twenty thousand dollars. Then they hustled back to their launch, raised anchor - and disappeared, just like the sea marauders - of old.

TRIAL

That spy trial in London seems to be turning into - a real old-fashioned Edgar Wallace thriller, complete with - beautiful secret agents. Today, one witness took the stand at old Bailey, and was introduced to the court simply as - Miss K.; identified as a secret agent - of British intelligence. One thing the jury didn't have to have pointed out was her appearance. A stunning brunette - sporting a princess Margaret Hair-do, dressed in a natty blue raincoat - with a blue scarf at her throat. Everything - the script calls for.

Miss K told a cloak and dagger story. Explaining, that she was assigned to watch the home of Peter and Helen Kroger. The prosecutor asked what happened on the morning of December eleventh? Again sounding - just like the script Miss K answered that the Kroger's drove up with Gordon Lonsdale. The three - entering the house. Whereupon, she alerted her superior - at intelligence/
headquarters.

This testimony - connecting Lonsdale with the Krogers. And with the incriminating evidence - found in the Kroger home. Testimony, provided by that standard character of the spy thriller - the beautiful girl who turns out to be an intelligence agent. The Interesting, mysterious Miss K.

BEHAN

It looks as if New York's St. Patrick's Day parade will have to do without - Brendan Behan. The colorful Irish dramatist who is over here - to publicize his next Broadway production, says the Fordham Gaelic Society invited him to march with them on Friday; but the official running the parade - turned thumbs down on the idea. Judge James Comerford, afraid that this particular marcher - might turn up just a bit plastered. His Honor, calling the writer - "a disorderly person."

To which Brendan Behan retorts that - he now knows where the snakes went after St. Patrick drove them out of Ireland. In Behan's words - "they came to New York and became judges, like Judge Comerford."

Huh! Let's turn to Dick Noel.

BIBLE

A book published today - is already a best seller. One million copies sold - before the book stores closed. Nothing unusual about that. The Bible has sold like this for quite a few years. Besides, this version of the New Testament is intended - for modern readers.

Thereby hangs - a criticism. A lot of readers don't want the scriptures modernized. They prefer the King James version we are all used to. The lordly sonorous prose - that has done so much to shape the English language.

So far, most criticism concerns the Lord's prayer. For example, here's one line from the new translation. "Do not bring us to the test, but save us from the evil one." Many prefer the familiar: - "Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil."