

L.T.-OLDS. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1961.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

One dangerous aspect about the fighting in KATANGA - is the amount of animosity it is causing among the free nations. Specifically, dividing us - from our closest allies. America, strongly backing the U N action - in Katanga. Britain and France, much less sure - that this U N operation ought to be pushed. Why should the people of Katanga be ruled from Leopoldville if they don't want to be? Anymore than the people of Eire, Ireland, want to be ruled from London, or the Danes from Stockholm-and so on.

In Leopoldville today - America was cheered in the streets. But rioting students attacked the British and French embassies - with stones, and refused to disperse - until Premier Adoula made a personal appeal.

LEAD - 2

In Katanga - the opposite reaction. Premier Tshombe, bitterly assailing - the United States. Accusing us of playing - the Communist game. Praising Britain and France - for their understanding of the Congo problem.

This split among the western allies - almost sure to get worse. Especially since we have resumed our globe-master airlift to Elizabethville - with ~~XXXXXXXX~~ attacks on U N personnel by Tshombe's army. U.N. fighter escort. London, not going - nearly that far. Agreeing to let the U N have British bombs - only with the stipulation that they be used ~~XXXXXXXX~~ against airfields and grounded planes.

RUSK FOLLOW CONGO

At his news conference today, Secretary of State Rusk emphasized - our attitude to Katanga. Dean Rusk, insisting - that the Congo faces two alternatives! Either an integrated nation - including Katanga, Or an independent Katanga - and civil war. Hence, our all-out support - for the U N. In Rusk's words - "The U N must not be prevented from fulfilling its mandate." The Secretary of State, adding that this Katanga operation began - only after repeated attacks on U N personnel by Tshombe's army.

GOA

The Prime Minister of India refuses to order the Indian army - into Goa. Nehru, telling the "ew Delhi parliament - he still wants to settle the dispute peaceably. That he expects that eventually the Portuguese will leave their historic enclave - on the West coast of the sub-continent of Hindustan, that goes back to the golden days of the great Portuguese navigators Alfonso Albquerque, Vasco de Gama, and Prince Henry. Still, the Portuguese - aren't taking any chances. They are mining the border - between Goa and India. Sending out frontier patrols - around the clock. Lisbon, repeating that the Portuguese have no intention of abandoning Goa - which they have held since the Sixteenth Century. The bones of St. Francis Xavier are in the great cathedral there; where pilgrims kiss St. Francis toe; in Mormugoa, Goa.

NEWS

The government crack-down on the Cuban news agency in New York - has nothing to do with freedom of the press. Attorney General Robert Kennedy explicitly says - that Prensa Latina can write any way it pleases. Uncle Sam, protecting its right to independent coverage of the news - even though Prensa Latina persistently distorts the truth. Turning out - biased anti-American, pro-Castro copy.

Today's indictment by the Federal Grand Jury - a simple matter of enforcing the law. Prensa Latina - financed and controlled by Castro. Hence, compelled by law to register - as an agent of the Cuban government. Chief correspondent Francisco Portela, accused of - not registering. For which he could get - ten years, and a twenty thousand dollar fine.

All because he pretends to be a legitimate newsman -
when actually he's a ^{propaganda} mouthpiece for the Red regime in Havana.

NOBEL

The winner of the Nobel Peace Prize - retroactive to Nineteen Sixty - was the center of a riotous demonstration when he spoke to newsmen in Oslo. Albert Luthuli of South Africa, a former Zulu chief - loudly applauded^d when he denounced the South African policy of apartheid.

At that point, Professor Carl Borgin of the Stellenbosch University in South Africa - began to heckle Luthuli. Asking whether the Nobel prize^{man} favors - left wing socialism? Whether he thinks - that the Ghana government was democratically elected? And so on.

Borgin, continuing his barrage of provocative questioning- until the audience ~~gan~~ began to jeer him. The news conference, breaking up - in disorder.

FIRE

That fire in the hospital at Hartford, Connecticut began in an incinerator chute. Flames, bursting out - on the eighth floor. Whipped through the top of the building - by a brisk wind. The roof, enveloped in dense black smoke. Firemen, handicapped - because their ladders reached up only eight of the thirteen stories. The eighth and ninth floors, badly damaged - before they could get the blaze under control.

Hundreds of patients - quickly evacuated. But the hospital staff couldn't get them all out - in time. The toll - many injured. Fifteen -- suffocated by smoke.

ROCKET

Over Point Arguello, California, today - one of the most dazzling displays ever seen in the sky. The Air Force launching - a cartographical rocket. Cartography - the science of map-making.

The rocket, zooming up - for thirteen hundred miles. Flashing out in a whirling kaleidoscope of lights. Like - a giant Roman candle far out in space.

The lights, checked by cameras - during the flight. Film, keeping track of--every point of the flight arc. The points - correlated with those on the ground. Recording the most detailed map ever - of the curvature of the earth.

EVEREST

Here's a question. How much would you say it takes - to climb Mount Everest? A hundred thousand dollars; to get an American team - to the top of the highest mountain.

When? Next May. Leader - Norman Dyhrenfurth of Santa Monica. Thirty-three thousand - just to get the expedition to Nepal. Forty-one thousand - for equipment, fifteen thousand - for oxygen. And so on.

Ironically, this is another case where the wealthiest nation in the world - doesn't contribute a penny. Secretary of Interior Udall, who recently made a Winter climb of Fujiyama in Japan - wants Uncle Sam to help.

ROYALTY

The self-appointed censor of British royalty - has turned his attention to the Joneses. Meaning - Princess Margaret and Anthony Armstrong Jones, ~~otherwise known as~~ the Earl and Countess of Snowdon.

Lord Altringham, suggesting that the Royal Joneses - ought to abdicate. Follow the example of Princess Margaret's uncle - who once was Edward the Eighth, and has been the Duke of Windsor since he decided to marry Mrs. Simpson.

What's eating Lord Altringham - this time? He thinks the Earl and Countess of Snowdon - are not pulling their own weight. An expensive luxury - that the British taxpayer can do without.

What does the British taxpayer think? He thinks Altringham - is all wet. That Princess Margaret and her husband - are doing just fine. The British public, rising as usual - to defend the royal family. ~~Phoney on~~ Lord Altringham, ^{Phoney/Dick} Who he?

WEATHER

The coldest spot in America tonight - Bemidji, Minnesota, ~~where~~ ^{at} The thermometer has plummeted ~~to~~ ten below. Most of the mid-west - almost as frigid. Snow falling - from the Great Lakes to Oklahoma. From New England - to the Pacific northwest. The Weather Bureau, warning drivers that in most of our states - the period of ~~the~~ winter driving ~~has arrived~~ ^{is} with us.