

CAPE KENNEDY

Mon, Jan. 22nd. '68.

At Cape Kennedy - a perfect launch today for America's first Apollo Moon bug. The bug gauky spacecraft soaring into earth orbit - exactly as planned - enroute to a key lunar landing rehearsal. At last report - Flight Director Gene Kranz saying: "It's all go."

This the same type of ship - that will ferry two men to the Moon's surface and back again; hopefully - as early as mid-sixty nine.

PENTAGON

From the Pentagon comes news today ~~that~~^{of}
a U.S. B-Fifty-Two carrying nuclear bombs ~~has~~ crashed^{ing}
near Thule, Greenland. Six of its crew-members -
parachuting to safety; another found dead - but the
plane still missing; as are the nuclear weapons & that
went down with the ship, & much the same as in that
~~Spanish crash~~^{Mediterranean episode} a couple of years ago.

~~Now as then~~ - the bombs unarmed; ~~which~~
~~means "there is no danger of a nuclear explosion"~~ -
~~said the Pentagon.~~ The crash, nevertheless, sending
a shudder of alarm - through nuclear nervous Denmark,
^{vast and mostly uninhabited}
which owns Greenland. Prompting Danish Prime Minister
Jens Otta Krag - to issue a ~~speedy~~ statement, Taking
note of the fact - that the plane was in trouble - trying
to make an ~~an~~ emergency landing.

Krag emphasizing, however - that Danish law
prohibits nuclear weapons on Danish soil. "This applies

to Greenland, as well" said he; adding that "consequently
~~- no airplane carrying atom bombs - can pass over
Greenland territory."~~

~~At the same time - Denmark continues to
press Washington for more information.~~

VIETNAM

On the war front - in Vietnam - a mission of mercy today. U.S. planes mounting a massive airlift - from Khe Sanh near the supposedly demilitarized zone; transporting more than a thousand civilians - out of harm's way, in the face of a giant enemy build-up -- threatening South Vietnam's northern border.

Similar airlifts in the past - aimed at creating "free fire zones." Permitting the allies to undertake extensive ground sweeps - also artillery and aerial bombardment. Today's effort further following a series of recent border skirmishes - costing the enemy about four hundred and fifty men.

SUPREME COURT

For years and years now - the U S Supreme Court has been striking down so-called "loyalty oaths" those requiring teachers and other public employees - to swear that they were not members of subversive organizations.

Today - a welcome change of pace. The High Court finally affirming - a new kind of "loyalty oath" requiring teachers to sign affirmative pledges - that they will uphold both state and federal constitutions.

~~This in a test case - involving a group of New York teachers; who argued that such pledges - constitute an infringement on freedom of speech. Not so - says the Supreme Court; agreeing, in essence, with a lower tribunal - which said in part; the State is fully justified in requiring teachers "to support the governmental systems which shelter and nourish the institutions in which they teach."~~

MOSCOW

In the air - fog and snow today over Moscow.
Forcing British Prime Minister Harold Wilson to land
at a secondary ~~fid~~ field -- on his latest trip to the
Kremlin.

On the ground though ^{he had the} ~~no~~ full red carpet
treatment. (Soviet Premier Kosygin and some two hundred
official greeters - racing across town from Moscow's
main airport; tendering the visiting V I P a warm
welcome - in spite of a temperature reported at
twenty-five below.

~~Be that as it may,~~ ^{straightway sat} Wilson and Kosygin ~~sitting~~
down to their first major discussion of world problems
-- less than two hours later. Quickly finding themselves
- at odds as ever. The tone of actual discussions later
said to rival once again - that ^{grim} ~~terrible~~ Russian winter.

NEW DELHI FOLLOW MOSCOW

Kosygin himself - soon to leave for New Delhi. The Soviet Premier scheduled to take part in ceremonies this Friday -- celebrating India's Republic Day; Sharing guest-of-honor ^{assignments} ~~status~~ - with Yugoslavia's President Tito, who arrived today in the Indian capital and immediately ^{held} ~~opened~~ talks with Prime Minister Madame Indira Gandhi.

Tito - for his part - fresh from a visit with Cambodia's Prince Sihanouk, said to be carrying Sihanouk's views - on how to prevent the war in Vietnam from spilling over into Cambodia. ~~India~~ - as you know a member of that three-nation international control commission -- supposedly established to keep the peace in Vietnam.

RIYADH FOLLOW NEW DELHI

~~Another distinguished traveler~~ - Turkey's President Sunay, ^{the mid-Arabia walled city of} ~~who~~ arrived today at Riyadh for what he called - an "unofficial goodwill visit" with Saudi Arabia's King Faisal.

Indeed, both Turkey and Saudi Arabia - attempting to play down the importance of Sunay's trip; because of a furore - that developed over the weekend ~~in~~ in the wake of a statement - by U S Undersecretary of State Eugene Rostow, suggesting that five Mideast countries - including Turkey and Saudi Arabia -- might wish to join in a regional military alliance; to fill the expected vacuum - when Britain withdraws "East of Suez."

The trouble arising from the fact that Iraq - was not included in the select five. That country immediately calling the Rostow plan - "an imperialist conspiracy to encircle Iraq."

WASHINGTON

This next ~~the~~ latest entry in a story that began last spring, when a giant jetliner crashed into a motel at New Orleans, ~~ri-~~ killing nineteen ~~persons. Remember?~~ Thirteen of the victims ~~high school students from~~ Juda, Wisconsin; on a ~~same~~ senior class trip, ~~when they met their death.~~

Now - at last - the national transportation safety board returns its finding, ~~in the case. Today's report~~ noting that the plane was on a training flight; ~~when the accident occurred.~~ Further noting that an instructor aboard ~~the craft~~ ~~ja~~ had just shut down two of the plane's four engines - trying to simulate an emergency landing.

What happened then? The pilot lowered his landing flaps -- "too early" - says the report. Adding that the instructor -- apparently had "complete confidence"

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in the pilot's ability to control the ~~ix~~ ship; and thus waited too long - before trying to correct the plane's descent.

Result - a ~~terrible~~ ^{one} tragedy, - _λ that touched the heart of a nation.

McMURDO SOUND

From McMurdo Sound - American headquarters
in the Antarctic - comes a rather disturbing report
today; on the world's first Antarctic cruise ship -
which may also turn out to be the last.

Seems the Danish-owned Magga Dan - with
twenty-four intrepid tourists aboard - was practically
within sight of her destination; when she ran afoul
of an ice pinnacle -- in McMurdo Sound Channel.

At last report - the vessel still caught firmly amidships;
with thirty-five mile an hour winds - preventing U S
Icebreakers from towing her free.

In the meantime - the Magga Dan's passengers
have been transferred ashore; most of them - Americans,
as you know. All of them spending the day - as guests
of the men of the U S Polar Command. Ah, but, when
will their ship be free - when will they get back?

Meanwhile they're on ice. Warren.
~~That remains the question.~~

PARIS

In the world of fashion - still another collection of spring showings today in Paris. Designer Louis Feraud scoring a bull's eye with buyers - with a line described as "feminine -- but futuristic."

This feminine-look-of-the-future - according to Louis -- another season, at least, of short, short skirts. Some so mini-we are told - they look more like tunics. Also - a "very covered look" at the top - they say.

That's for day time wear. For night - it's full-length evening gowns - "very uncovered" at the top. From the waist up - a number of Louis's formal creations - ~~practically backless, sideless and not much in front either.~~ His favorite bodice - said to resemble nothing so much as a baby's bib.

~~mama mia~~ Ah well!