

L.T.-OLDS. THURS. DEC. 31. 1959.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The Soviets take back the charge - that the United States has been holding underground atomic tests, in violation - of a suspension of nuclear explosions. Last night, we supposed the comrades might be confused about underground explosions touched off in Louisiana shortly before Christmas. Not atomic - but conventional explosives.

Today, that was confirmed by the Chief Moscow Delegates - attending the Geneva talks on a test-ban. He said the American underground explosions were not atomic at all.

KOREA

South Korea gives an explanation of a charge -that a Russian survey ship was attacked by a South Korean patrol boat. The Soviet^S - putting in an angry protest. South Korean officials declare ~~that~~ the shooting was done by North Korean ships, Communist; ~~In~~ a battle, by mistake - in the darkness of ~~night~~. Communist vessel^S - shooting each other, in confusion. The Soviet^S trying to blame it on South Korea.

AFRICA

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In Cameroons, ⁱⁿ West Africa, a stately celebration
of independence. That former French Colony - having been
granted freedom under the program of President Charles DeGaulle.
Attending the ceremony - Dag Hammarskold, Secretary General
of the U N, American Delegate to the U N Henry Cabot Lodge, -
and the Foreign Minister of Israel, Mrs. Golda Meir.

As a prelude - a pitched battle. A wild outbreak -
rebels attacking with knives and spears. Twenty-five killed
before order was restored by government forces.

The insurgents - hostile to the French. But even more
hostile - towards Premier ^{Ahidjo}, head of the new regime.
All - part of a feud that has been going on for ten years in
the Cameroons. Independence - merely bringing new tribal
warfare.

TANGIERS

The mystery in Tangiers - more baffling than ever. The case of a young American woman murdered in Morocco. The body - in such condition that it cannot be identified. But the victim is believed to have been either Helen Mueller of New York City, or Harriet Elizabeth Benton of Boston. Both girls - having sought adventure in North Africa.

Last autumn, Helen Mueller vanished in Tangiers. Leaving her belongings in her hotel room. Never seen - since.

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Harriet Elizabeth Benton also went to Morocco. The last heard of her - a letter she sent in October, from Gibraltar, to a girl she had known in college. The message reading: "It's foolish of me to want to go half way around the world - with a man I met ^{(yesterday.} ~~XXXXXXXX~~ But we're sailing tomorrow."

The vessel - the yacht "Raider". Bound - for the West Indies.

Investigation discloses that the yacht was owned by Col. M. J. Gallon, who carried a British passport. But no trace has been found of the yacht, it's owner, or the girl. Missing - for some three months.

SMUGGLING

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A diplomat of the Dominican Republic - ~~NAME~~ ousted from the U S A. Augusto Marie Ferrando, Dominican Consul General at Miami - who admits he was involved in a scheme to smuggle arms out of this country. The supposition might be - that the weapons were meant for the Anti-Castro people in Cuba. But the state department says the presumption is - that the illegal cargoes were to be exported to the Dominican Republic.

PAYOLA

A recommendation to President Eisenhower from Attorney General Rogers, advising the President that "payola" be made a federal offense. With Legislation - to forbid disc jockeys being paid by record companies to plug certain records.

The Attorney General also declared that the federal Communication Commission and the Federal Trade Commission already have authority, in the law, to check "deceptive practices", like - the rigging of quiz shows.

BENSON

Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Benson will not remain on the job, if Nixon is elected President. The Secretary - intimating this in a news conference, today.

Ezra Benson pointed out - that he's been on ~~the~~ the job for a long time, and ~~that~~ ^{said} he hoped - he will be free to do something else. ^{Sec. Benson is} ~~was~~ an apostle of the ~~the~~ Mormon Church - on leave from church duties. So, apparently, he won't remain in the Cabinet, ^{even if the GOP is returned to power.} ~~if Nixon becomes President~~

STEEL

Behind the scenes efforts - to settle the steel dispute and avert a renewal of the strike next month. Vice President Nixon and Secretary of Labor Mitchell - holding talks with Companies and Unions. Today, the Vice President and the Secretary had lunch with Union President McDonald - urging an agreement.

BEATNIKS

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The American Beatnik idea has invaded France. Paris, having its own version of the Beat generation, hanging out - in ~~just~~ dives of the Left Bank.

So now we have the solution of a jewel robbery committed last month. A real mystery ~~is~~ worthy of any detective story. The theft ^{of} sixty thousand dollars worth of jewelry - from an airliner in flight. Who done it? A couple of young Parisian beatniks who devised - a clever method of robbery.

They knew - of the shipment of jewelry. A parcel - placed in the baggage compartment of the airliner. So Beatnik Angel Fernel took passage on the plane, together with a suitcase and crate. Which were duly stowed away - in the baggage compartment. In the crate - Beatnik Fernan Romani. Who, during the flight, emerged - sought out the parcel of jewelry, and placed ^{it} in the suitcase belonging to his fellow Beatnik.

So, when, at Marseilles, Fernel left the airliner, he took along the suitcase with the jewelry. Also, the crate containing Romani.

ALEXANDER

Today, they are in the Parisian bastille, feeling more than ever that they belong to a beat generation.

price winners, - in a competition - to promote the development of a new English alphabet.

The Irish playwright of world reputation has a grudge - against our present alphabet, with its illogical way of spelling the English words. So, in his will, he left a fund - for the creation of an alphabet of about forty letters, which

would represent - the subtle sounds of English.

He left the contest - for the best alphabet, according to the ideas of George Bernard Shaw, - in two winners: - three Britons and a Canadian woman. Their four alphabets - to consolidate 1900 was, which - will be set into use.

The project is to have Shaw's play, "The Doctor and the Ladies" published in the new alphabet, - also to have written present use. So that a marriage can be made.

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ALPHABET

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Hence the contest - for the best alphabet, according to the ideas of George Bernard Shaw, ~~Resulting~~ - in four winners:- Three Britons and a Canadian woman. Their four alphabets - to consolidate into one, ~~whichx~~ - will be put into use.

The project is to have Shaw's play, "Androcles and the Lion" published in the new alphabet, ~~Side~~ by side with our present one. So that a comparision can be made.

Dick, It strikes me that the whole thing might make the subject of a play - that Shaw, himself, might have written.

RESCUE

Here's a heroine to cheer, as we celebrate New Year's Eve. Mrs. Roy Damiens, a young mother of Richardson Texas - who was in bed with the flu. There she lay - feverish, sniffing, coughing. When she heard a couple of boys yelling - that Tommy had fallen in the water, and was drowning.

Mrs. Damiens, flue and all, jumped up. She threw on a robe, and went dashing out. Crawling through a barbed wire fence, and hurrying to a long narrow ditch, filled with water, ten feet deep. There, at the bottom of a steep embankment, she saw eight year old Tommy Peace. In the water - clawing at the steep wall of the ditch. Unable to get out.

Mrs. Damiens, went scrambling down the embankment. She fell down. Then, lying prone, she got hold of the boy's hand. Holding him - until help arrived.

Then she went back to bed with the flu - feverish,

sniffling, coughing.

As we approach the end of the old year - here's
to Mrs. Damien. And here's wishing all of you the best
of everything - for the New Year.