

KENNEDY

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At his first news conference since last November -

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President Kennedy devoted much of his time to a domestic problem that may never happen. The President, referring to the possibility of -- a steel strike. Something he wants to avoid - at this crucial moment of our history. That's why he emphasized today -- the need for labor and management to work out a settlement. Forestall a steel strike -- before the picket lines are ~~form~~ formed.

The rest of President Kennedy's topics today -- the obvious ones. Berlin? Mr. Kennedy said it would be premature -- to form a judgment about how the crisis will develop. Foreign trade? He wants Congress to give top priority - to administration proposals for easing trade with our allies.

Cuba? ~~President Kennedy~~ *He* hopes that the next week's meeting in ~~MEXICO~~ Uruguay will frankly condemn dictatorships of the Left *and the Right.* Southeast Asia? The President agrees that we are taking a chance - when we back coalition

governments. But he considers the chance preferable -
to military action.

The U N ? As expected, President Kennedy came
out strongly for - the ^{purchase} ~~sale~~ of U N bonds ^{by} ~~in~~ the United States.

R Civil rights? He thinks his administration has a good
record and will improve on that record in the future.

One particular point - is worth noting. President
Kennedy has ordered his science advisory committee to report
on the shortage of scientists and engineers; And to suggest
how we may overcome - the shortage.

NEW GUINEA

That skirmish in New Guinea waters today - looks like the prelude to a ~~big~~ naval battle. At any rate - the Dutch are braced for one. They believe ~~that~~ Sukarno ~~■~~ cannot accept - this Indonesian defeat. ~~That~~ he'll have to send a bigger armada - or face political collapse, after the wild promises he made to conquer Dutch New Guinea.

The torpedo boats intercepted today - were trying to land guerrillas on the coast. The Dutch fleet, racing up - sinking several of Sukarno's vessels, ~~and~~ sending the others, racing for ~~deat~~ ^{back} life [^] toward the islands of Indonesia.

First round, to the Dutch - who are waiting for the second round to begin.

COMMUNISM

Many western experts on Communism are saying tonight that the ideology connected with Marx and Lenin has become - a death struggle between Nikita Khrushchev and Mao Tse Tung. All the latest indications are, that the two Red giants have finally decided - that the Communist world isn't big enough for both of them. So they ^are engaging in a ~~foreclosure~~ behind the scenes struggle for power - that will end with only one survivor.

As you know, Khrushchev and Mao have come to the end of the line - in the ~~xx~~ smallest of the Communist nations. The symbol of the fight for half the world -- Albania.

Moscow has been calling on the Albanian people - to overthrow their Red bosses. Today, Moscow took the ultimate step in Red hostility - by terming those bosses "enemies of the Communist movement." Practically a declaration of war - for powers that use the Leninist lexicon.

The trouble is, that Tirana ^{capitol of Albania} is hurling the accusation - back at Moscow. With - enthusiastic applause from Red China.

Peking, describing the Albanian regime as "correct in its analysis of the world situation." And Mao Tse Tung's radio mouthpiece adds ^{the following} ~~that~~ blunt warning to the Kremlin; - "whoever attacks Albania, attacks the peoples Republic of China!"

Until today, Khrushchev and Mao ~~is~~ always insisted in public - that they had no basic disagreement. Now they virtually admit that the disagreement between them is so basic - it can't be patched up. ~~And~~ that one of them - must go.

WEATHER

In Chicago, today - burglar alarms were sounding, one after the other. A dozen - or more. No, not an outbreak of robberies - in the Windy City. The cause - more snow. The latest snowfall, piled on what fell last week - exerting tremendous pressure on windows and foundations. Touching off the sensitive electrical gadgets - that aren't supposed to make a noise, unless thieves are trying to get in.

Chicago already has a near record snowfall - for the first two weeks in January. More than fifteen inches - a depth not equalled since Nineteen Eighteen. High winds, whipping the snow into drifts - of over four feet. Transportation, crippled. Schools and businesses - closed. Communications lines - down. And those pesky burglar alarms - going off when there isn't a soul near them.

This blizzard is blowing across the mid-west - from Indiana to Wisconsin. Creating the kind of winter chaos *we've heard so much about* ~~that we've become accustomed to~~ during the past month.

In the South - tornadoes. Hardest hit, Hattiesburg,

Mississippi - where a twister uprooted trees, knocked down power lines, and carried away countless shingles.

The East? ~~Nothing worse than a depressing rain,~~
and
~~mixed with~~ fog.
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ROYALTY

The feud between the Earl of Snowdon and most of the London press has become so heated - that the Prime Minister is stepping in as a peace-maker. Prime Minister Macmillan, flying to the royal estate at Sandringham - for a conference with the Queen. It's believed that he's asking Her Majesty to suggest that her brother-in-law resign his job with The Sunday Times.

I mentioned, in my last broadcast, about Anthony Armstrong Jones, joining The Sunday Times staff - in the rotogravure section. It seemed appropriate enough - since Tony used to be a fashion photographer. Still, it wasn't appropriate when that big Sunday paper gave him a salary of - nine thousand pounds sterling; ten times that of anybody else in the trade.

Besides, the by-line of the Earl of Snowdon would give the Sunday Times an edge on its competitors. Thousands of British readers, switching from other papers - just to see what the Queen's brother-in-law

is doing. And that's not exactly cricket - to London journalists engaged in a circulation war.

Today The London Observer - main competitor of The Sunday Times - remarked sourly - "royalty is being used for advertising purposes." The Daily Mail says flatly - that the Queen should have known better than to let Princess Margaret's husband take the job. The rest of the London press, chiming in to suggest - that Her Majesty repair the damage and do it - quickly; switch the Earl of Snowden to some innocuous appointment - in royal circles.

Needless to say, the decision - isn't really up to the British sovereign at all. The Prime Minister will "propose - a course of action;" which will then be presented to the British people as "Her Majesty's will and pleasure." Tonight, Dick - the betting around London is that "Her Majesty's will and pleasure" will

journalistic profession.
for the Earl of Snowden to disappear from the/

KINGFISH

~~Fans of Amos and Andy may think that the following~~

~~is a script from that famous show. We're told that the~~

The Kingfish - is having financial trouble. Nothing unusual for
the Kingfish - except that two million dollars are involved.
And as far as I know - the Kingfish never dabbled in finance
of that order.

But The man who once played the part - did. Warren
Coleman, moving from the thespian art - to Wall Street.
Getting involved in a financial scheme - that came to the
attention of the New York Supreme Court. The court, barring
Coleman - from selling any more securities.

Money trouble for the Kingfish, - ~~who used to cause~~
but not
~~a lot of trouble~~ for Amos and Andy.