

L.T.-OLDS. THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 1961.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The two American fliers homeward bound from Russia, are storm bound this time at Goose Bay, Labrador. An old familiar story in Labrador at this time of year. Captains McKone and Olmstead, now are expected in Washington - tomorrow.

At any rate they are out of prison, out of the U.S.S.R. - and nearing home. Next stop - Washington - where they'll see their families for the first time in almost a year. And where they also will be greeted - by their new commander-in-chief, the man who became President while they were still in prison - and who yesterday revealed their liberation so dramatically at his first news conference.

KENNEDY

Reactions to President Kennedy's first news conference are still coming in, ~~from~~ from around the world. Practically all of the reactions - ~~is~~ favorable. The capitals of western Europe - agreeing that the new American President gave the free world a good lead in his first meeting with newsmen. Our friends in Latin America - going along with that.

~~And~~ ^{Even} Moscow is pleased. The general attitude in Khrushchev's domain is - that the boss of the Kremlin offered an olive branch by releasing the two American fliers. ^{Pres.} And that ~~is~~ Kennedy - has not rejected it. The Russians, emphasizing one point in this news conference - our chief executive's statement about the U-2 flights not being resumed. The Moscow reaction, summed up in the assertion - that the way to the summit is now open.

~~The~~ ^{are} unfavorable reactions ~~is~~ mainly from Red China and Cuba. Mao Tse Tung's mouthpiece, furious because Mr. Kennedy pointed out - that the Chinese ~~must~~

people are close to famine, and yet Mao continues to export food. After denouncing this ~~an~~ assertion, the Peking radio went on - ~~ex~~ to call America the enemy of peace. The usual line - in Red China.

What about Cuba? The feeling ~~is~~ in Havana - could have been predicted. Castro - annoyed because of the Kennedy assertion that we are not planning to restore diplomatic relations with Cuba. The bearded dictator says he anticipated that attitude - and will push on with his revolution, no matter what the new administration in Washington ~~is~~ thinks about him.

CHINA

A dispatch from Taipei - Formosa, follows up a ~~new~~ point that President Kennedy made yesterday - at his news conference. ~~That point~~ about Red China - exporting food. ^{and} Raising the problem, of how much we could actually help the Chinese people - by sending part of our agricultural surplus to Red China. Now Nationalist China - corroborates the President of the United States. Taipei, declaring ^{that} Mao Tse Tung exported more than a million tons of food, last year. Most of it - to the Soviet Union. Mao, letting his own people go hungry - so he can make propaganda abroad with his food deliveries.

DIPLOMATIC

One of the bitter political disputes of recent years ended today - with the resumption of diplomatic ~~mutual~~ relations between Britain and the United Arab Republic. The two nations have been cold to one another - ever since the Suez invasion of ~~the~~ Nineteen Fifty-Six. That was when the British and their French allies - tried to topple Nasser by force. Invading the Suez Canal zone - ~~mutual~~ pulling back only after an order by ^{the} United Nations. London and Cairo - snubbing one another diplomatically, (~~ever since. But at the U N session in New York, last fall - Prime Minister MacMillan took the opportunity to discuss their differences with President Nasser. The upshot - today's announcement that~~) ^{now} London and Cairo will once again exchange ambassadors.

EL SALVADOR

The situation in El Salvador is a bit clearer tonight - with the new junta in control. A five-man junta, made up of - two generals, two lawyers, and a doctor. The five, ruling as equals - but apparently led by General Anibal Portillo, former chief of staff of the army, ^{have} ~~they've~~ issued an anti-Communist manifesto ~~and~~ ^{ag} insist that they'll put an end to Castro's propaganda, in El Salvador.

The people - rallying behind this junta. Offering - practically no resistance. The only demonstration was started by - a group of Castro sympathizers. The demonstration - quickly broken up by the Army.

PIRACY

~~For the first time ever - the Pentagon is tracking pirates. That is, if you use the term "pirates"~~

~~- for Enrique Galvez and his men aboard the "Santa Maria"~~
Today The Navy is tracking the course of the hi-jacked liner - across the giant map in the Pentagon flag room.

The "Santa Maria" taking its place on the map - with many other ships. Soviet trawlers in the Arctic, Soviet missile tracking ships in the Pacific - and so on.

Where does the Pentagon map place the "Santa Maria" right now? Oh, still headed for - the African Coast. Destination - unknown. But the latest guess is - the Portuguese colony of Angola. If the liner really appears in the Angola harbor, there's ~~an~~ almost sure to be a showdown - between the rebels aboard ship, and the Salazar forces in Angola.

MISSISSIPPI

Today's appeal to the Kennedy administration comes from a Congressman who tried to prevent that administration from taking office. Jamie Whitten of Mississippi - actively ~~■~~ opposed the Kennedy-Johnson ticket during the election. Whitten, campaigning for - independent electors. Result - Mississippi casting its electoral votes for Senator Byrd of Virginia.

Today Congressman Whitten put the past - behind him. Appealing^{ed} to the Kennedy administration - to come to the aid of the farmers. Release funds already voted but not yet spent. Where should the money be distributed? Whitten suggests a beginning - in Mississippi.

PLANE

The plane that disappeared off Newfoundland -
may have blown up in the air. A military transport
plane coming in from Morocco - bound for Norfolk,
Virginia. It was thirty minutes overdue - when a radar
plane spotted what looked like an explosion in the sky.
Probably the missing plane, with twenty-three aboard.

WEATHER

Tonight the south is under - a sheet of ice. The cold wave, blasting across the states - from Louisiana to Virginia. One of the cities hardest hit - Mobile, where they hardly ever see snow. Communication lines down, schools and shops closed.

Dixie - frozen in. While the northeast braces to meet - another round of the storm. And the mid-west continues - digging out. Quite a cold spell, A most unusual one.

FASHION

The Kennedy influence has reached - Paris. That is - the influence of Mrs. Kennedy. The House of Dior, introducing - "the Jackie look". Spring fashions to enable customers to look that Jacqueline Kennedy. The "sack" and "the trapeze" - they'll be all the rage. I mean they are out. Now it will be the slim silhouette, wide belts and long skirts. Dior, advising the ladies to top Dior creations with a "Jackie hairdo."

Well, I don't know how the ladies will go for - the latest Paris fashion. But a cab driver on the Left Bank - expressed one masculine opinion. Said he - "I don't care if they look like Jackie, as long as they look like women." What say you, Dick?

FISH

~~Here's the story of - the game warden and the~~
~~fish pirates.~~ Warden Ed Michael smelled something
peculiar - when the fishing boat - "Suerra" docked at
Los Angeles, early this morning. ~~The aroma of - fish.~~
~~So the warden~~ ^{the warden} boarded the vessel ~~and~~ discovered seven
hundred pounds of spotfin croacker. ~~The point being -~~
~~that~~ ^{and} spotfin croacker is protected by law. ~~Hence, the~~
~~four men aboard the "Sierra" - were~~ ^{so} fish pirates.

When Michael told them that the game was up - they
suddenly cast off ~~km~~ from the pier. Sailing out into
the Pacific - with the warden as a hostage. Then they
sailed around and around - ~~dumping~~ their catch back into
the ocean. After which, the pirate leader said to the
warden - "Ha, ha, there goes your evidence."

The pirates, ~~know~~ knowing more about fish - than
about the law. Back at the pier, the warden arrested ~~them,~~
~~all four - and tonight they're in the pokey. All that's~~

Twilight the race is on to see who gets to the
All that's needed in court - is the word of the game
Santa Maria's first - American or Portuguese warden,
warden; about the seven hundred pounds of illegal
We won't know the winner - until the weekend. Meanwhile,
fish, Dick.

the captured liner is barreling down the Atlantic -
between Brazil and Africa.

Galvez
The vessel is in command of the Santa Maria - has
agreed to a shipboard conference with American Naval
officers. Subject - the fate of the six hundred passengers,
including forty two Americans. Galvez admits our right -
to safeguard our citizens. And it's taken for granted
that any such conference would have to include - the
other passengers. Some of whom want to get caught in
the cross-fire -- should Salazar's Navy arrive and start
shooting. Galvez is asking us to prevent his ship from
being attacked - should the transfer take place.

The U.S. the
our landing ship "Herzog" - *forward bound*
from South Africa. She's quite large enough - to take
off all the passengers. But she won't be able to