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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The news dispatch from Tokyo says: - "The bride was nervous." And who can blame her? Who wouldn't be?

Michiko Shoda - becoming a real Princess - One they think will become empress - most inevitable. The 24-year old daughter of a Japanese Commoner - entering the royal family; marrying - the heir to the throne. Nervous? How could she help it.

Early this morning - the royal limousine picked
Michiko up at her home, driving her to the Imperial
Palace - where she went through hours of preparation for
the ceremony. Everything - according to the stately
ritual of Old Japan. Hairdressers and seamstresses working feverishly to get the bride ready. Decking her
out in the bridal gown weighing forty pounds, and
sparkling with gold and jewels.

Then the bride, escorted to the altar - for the ceremony making her the wife of Prince Akahito.

Outside the palace - millions celebrating. Rice wine - flowing like water in Tokyo which is now at least the world's 3rd largest city. Some say its first in size. Tokyo has seen many royal weddings, but never a royal wedding - with a Commoner as the bride. Lovely Michiko Shoda.

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The news from Communist China - is what we expected
The Panchen Lama - hand picked by the Reds and not
recognized at all by the Tibetans - is on his way to
Peking to attend the Communist Party Congress. He'll
be a show piece - for Mao Tse-tung.

The so called rival of the Dalai Lama all along has been saying whatever his Red masters wanted him to say; talking about "a new social order," calling the people of Tibet - "progressives," and saying that only a minority have joined the anti-Communist rebellion. The Panchen Lama promising to lead the fight - against the "Reactionaries."

Meanwhile, Tibet begins to look - or sound - more like a theatre of war. The rebels forming - a unified army, headed by a general - named Gompu Tashi. A name we may see regularly in the headlines now - Gompu Tashi.

What is Mao Tse-tung doing - to meet this new army?
He's pouring men and equipment - into Tibet.

The Communist Army of Occupation, we hear now numbers four-hundred-thousand men, with planes and tanks.

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Today in Washington -a unique news conference.

Seven men - facing a battery of newsmen. The questions, circling around the chances of survival - when one of the seven is tapped as our first spaceman.

The seven - all crack pilots, chosen from a field of fifty-five. The men considered sound enough in body
and mind - to be catapulted out into space in an
artificial satellite. Target date - Wineteen Sixty-One.
The seven?

Air Force Captain, Leroy Cooper - of Shawnee, Oklahoma

Navy Lieutenant, Malcolm Carpenter - of Boulder, Colorado.

Marine Lieutenant Colonel, John Glenn - of Arlington, Va.

Navy Lieutenant Commander, Walter Schirra - of Hackensack, New Jersey

Navy Lieutenant Commander, Alan Shepard - of East Derry, New Hampshire;

Air Force Captain, Virgil Grissom - of Mitchell, Indiana; Air Force Captain, Donald Clayton - of Sparta, Wisconsin.

Today, all seven, said they'll do it - and return to earth okay! Their only worry just now - who'll be the one? Air Force Capt. Slayton said - "Id give an arm - to be the first man in space."

EISENHOWER

President Eisenhower has been working without

letup -- on the problem of unemployment. That's the

only White House answer -- to remarks made at yesterday

A.F.L. - C.I.O. meeting in Washington. Some Labor

leaders suggesting -- the President should leave

Augusta and areas that have been hit by

unemployment.

Today Presidential press secretary Hagerty, called the suggestion - "unworthy of comment."

Asked about Secretary of State Dulles -- that

question of retirement -- Hagerty replied, no final

decision has been reached. President Eisenhower and

Secretary Dulles - agreed on a timetable; at the end of

which - Mr. Dulles will decide whether he ought to stay

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MISSILES

Nine European countries will be armed with

American missiles before the end of the year. So announced

-- by the Pentagon. The missiles involved -- everything

from Honest Johns, with a range of fifteen miles -- to

the Inter-Continental Thor. They'll be sent to bases

along a four-thousand-mile front. Shielding the West -
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along a gigantic arc, from Britain to Torkey.

More fighting in Northern Iraq -- according to
the Cairo press. The story pictures -- Nasser's
supporters clashing again with the Communists. A shopowner in the town of Ramadi -- murdered by a gang of Reds
His crime -- refusing to display a photo of Iraqi
Premier Kassem. The shooting brought angry crowds into
the streets of Ramadi; breaking windows, overturning
cars, tearing down pro-Kassem placards. Kassem, rushing
in special troops -- to metore order.

Near disaster -- aboard Britain's mightiest

Nan-of-War. The aircraft carrier -- Ark Royal. She's

more than -- seven hundred feet long. Weight -- forty
three thousand tons. She cost twenty million pounds -
and can carry two hundred planes.

The Ark Royal -- in drydock, in Plymouth.

A fire -- breaking out below decks. Flames -- racing
through the ship. Dense clouds of oily smoke -- rising
hundreds of feet into the sky.

Dozens of workmen -- scrambled out just in time. Dozens of firemen, going aboard -- bringing the blaze under control after six hours.

The only casualties -- twelve men overcome by smoke. But Her Wajesty's Ark Royal won't be going to sea -- as soon as the Admiralty thought she would.

On the island of Java -- a "royal tour" has reached the end of the line. Their Majesties, the King and Queen -- ending up in jail. Meaning -- one of the biggest hoaxes the news has carried in a long time.

arrived in Java. Identifying themselves as -- the monarchs a remote tribe of Sumatra. Getting plush treatment -- from Java officials. The King and Queen - even had an interview with President Sukarno, Who gave orders for his royal visitors to be taken -- on a royal tour.

Those eyes, in the words of the King - "shining like phosphorous."

The Indonesian officials, at first were non-plussed - then - they investigated. Discovering the kings realm on Sumatra - a myth. Idrus and Markona - imposters. Now in the Bandung lockup. But, they did alright - for a while.

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