

L.T.-OLDS. MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1962.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

For John Glenn, arriving in Washington - the red carpet; a bit damp - but a real red one, rolled out for the astronaut and the President to walk on - as they headed from their plane toward the motorcade that would take them to the White House.

Once again, the President obviously anxious - to keep the spotlight on the first American to orbit the earth. Holding a brief reception - for the Colonel and the other astronauts; then stepping aside - while Glenn made his triumphant ride down Pennsylvania Avenue.

"Triumphant" it was - to get a quarter of a million people along Pennsylvania Avenue - in a driving rain. Some of them, school children with placards, slogans like "Colonel Glenn, our hero" - and "welcome to America's astronaut." One with the single word -

now famous in the lexicon of space travel; made famous by - our astronauts, riding into space; the word - go!

John Glenn, with his wife and children in the car - smiling, waving, shaking hands; sitting on the tonneau - despite the rain. Mrs. Glenn up there with him. David and Lynn, remaining in their seats, with Vice President Lyndon Johnson.

The motorcade took half an hour to reach the capital - where an additional five thousand spectators were waiting - and dripping.

Into the Capital, where he dried off - and was escorted to the Chamber of the House, for that special honor - to address a joint session of Congress.

## ADDRESS FOLLOW ASTRONAUT

Most of you no doubt heard him as he spoke of our place in space, present and future. Also as he again paid tribute to all the men and women - who were involved in his orbital flight. He endorsed the policy of - frank reporting; pointed out that his flight proves - that our space program is sound; and said we can now build on what we have already accomplished.

As he put it: - "knowledge begets knowledge." Astronaut Glenn, taking a true scientist's attitude - toward the unknown. Accepting the scientific axiom that our basic reason for exploring space - is to increase our knowledge of the universe.

## DEFECTOR

The East German economics expert who defected to the West - did it in a business like way. Just as you would expect - ~~of~~ an economist.

Werner Hindersinn, the most ~~important~~ important member of a Red delegation stationed in London - to negotiate for more trade between East Germany and Britain. Hindersinn, asking that his wife and son be sent from East Berlin - since he had been in London three years. As soon as they arrived, he installed them in a hotel - and went off to a Communist cocktail party. There, he sipped a single vodka - before disappearing through the trademen's entrance. He caught a cab to the hotel, picked up his family - and continued on to the nearest police station. The British saying "okay" - to his appeal for asylum.



## NEGOTIATIONS

Britain and America have ironed out - a common approach to Khrushchev. And that includes the British laborites - as well as the Conservatives. Her Majesty's loyal opposition - as well as Her Majesty's government.

Today, Prime Minister MacMillan dispatched a note to Moscow - endorsing the previous one from Washington. MacMillan, telling the Soviet boss - that he too is ~~in~~ in favor of a summit meeting this spring. If - there is some progress in the disarmament talks. That is - if Khrushchev allows any progress.

As for the British laborites - they<sup>re</sup> supporting the American stand on atomic testing - the leader of the opposition, Hugh Gaitskell, telling a news conference - that the United States may have to test in the atmosphere. Gaitskell, admitting that President Kennedy convinced him - that the testing would be strictly a matter of military necessity. Not a question of - bluff or prestige.

The shooting in Algiers today - one of the worst atrocities yet. Gunmen of the right wing underground, walking through the streets in downtown Algiers - shooting every Moslem they met. The toll - more than ~~twenty~~<sup>40</sup> dead, ~~as many more~~<sup>another twenty</sup> injured. Observers say that the worst of it was - that no one made any attempt to stop the murders. While many bystanders - cheered and applauded. The special security police, rushing up - after it was all over.

~~Across the Mediterranean - more OAS violence in Paris. But the terrorists bungled ~~their~~ major assignment. They were supposed to bomb the apartment of - the Defense Minister. They made a mistake - and left their plastic bomb under the wrong staircase. The blast, causing tremendous damage - to the apartment of an industrialist, who has no connection with Algeria.~~

~~As expected, the right wing underground is becoming more savage, on the eve of that cease - fire between the Paris government ~~and~~ and the Moslem rebels. The terms of the~~

## INDIA

Early returns from the Indian election appear to foreshadow success for Nehru - and, for Krishna Menon. Nehru's Congress party, headed for what looks like - a landslide. Nehru's Defense Minister? North Bombay has given Krishna Menon a quick lead - a ~~big~~ lead, ~~so~~ big, that only a drastic about-face by the Bombay voters - will defeat India's most controversial politician.

## FIRST LADY

The First Lady's trip abroad is being postponed for ten days - because of a sinus condition. Nothing serious - it's described as "low grade." Still, it's enough to keep Mrs. Kennedy from leaving - on schedule. White House physician Janet Travell, advising her distinguished patient - to wait for a full recovery. The First Lady, following doctor's orders - cancelling her Thursday departure. Her new schedule calls for her to arrive in New Delhi on March Twelfth. This, the beginning of the First Lady's swing - through India and Pakistan.



## ROYALTY

Over in London - an intriguing possibility.

Imagine royalty, on strike - walking the picket line. It could happen, now that the Earl of Snowdon has joined, the national union of journalists. Tony Armstrong-Jones, working for ~~the~~ Sunday Times - becoming the first unionized member of the Royal Family. Plunking down twelve shillings - a dollar sixty eight. Receiving his union card - in return. Which commits him - to full support of his union. Including - strikes. The union bosses say that in case of a walkout - they'll put the unionized Earl of Snowdon on the picket line, along with the ones who don't happen to be married to a Princess. ~~Margaret~~.

## CONGO

British Major Richard Lawton reports - that the situation in northern Katanga is "grave and serious." Maybe you don't recognize - the major. But this is a legendary - Dick Lawton. The officer of Her Majesty's army, known as "Lawton of the Congo". Like "Gordon of Khartoum" and "Lawrence of Arabia."

Lawton of the Congo has pulled off - five suicide missions, in the past few weeks. The most spectacular, when he went in single-handed - and saved a band of missionaries from a brigade of rampaging Congolese troops. Lawton, armed with nothing more than - his Officer's baton. But he drove off two Congolese soldiers - who attacked him with knives. And - he brought the missionaries out.

This time, the suicide mission was to examine the situation - in northern Katanga. Dick Lawton flew north, and found - that the worst rumors were true. Congolese troops, filtering through the jungle - evidently headed for

a clash with Premier Tshombe's army. Hence the Lawton report - "grave and serious."

~~How~~<sup>W</sup> did the Congolese soldiers receive him - on his fifth suicide mission? He says he was challenged - challenged to a soccer match. So <sup>Dick,</sup> he spent much of his time in Katanga - kicking a soccer ball around. The result? "My side ~~were~~ jolly well drubbed" says Lawton of the Congo.



## MONEY

Here's a fact about John Glenn's orbital flight -  
that was news to him when he landed. His capsule carried -  
about two hundred dollar bills, <sup>that</sup> ~~They~~ were hidden aboard -  
by technicians and offices workers. Behind the instruments,  
under the seat, between the joints - and so on. These  
dollar bills, becoming souvenirs of the flight - after John  
Glenn signs them. ~~You'd better start writing - Colonel.~~  
Two hundred <sup>of his colleagues</sup> ~~people are~~ lined up - <sup>the Marine Colonel</sup> ~~six~~ waiting for ~~you~~  
John Hancock on a dollar bill.