

MYSTERY FOLLOW ESTES

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~~Marshall~~ ^{no I} The ^{Billie Sol} first mystery in the Estes case
 was featured today ~~is under review~~ in Franklin, Texas. The mystery of Henry
 Marshall - the agent of the Agriculture Department, who is
 said to have been on the trail of the Estes scandal. Marshall,
 found shot to death - under a tree on his farm. The inquest,
 ruling "suicide". Even though Marshall was shot five times.
 And - by bullets from a bolt-action rifle. The big question
 being - whether he could have done this himself.

A grand jury - today reopened the Marshall case.

Among the first witnesses, the victim's sister - who termed
 the original inquest "too hasty".

ESTES

When the Senate Investigation sub-committee opened hearings on Billie Sol Estes - the first witness was from the Department of Agriculture. N. Battle Hales, who says that Department showed "favoritism" - to the controversial Texas financier. Hales, referring to the award of cotton allotments - that were granted to Estes.

Whereupon Hales was transferred to another post - with both President Kennedy and Secretary Freeman denying that Estes got preferential treatment. Nevertheless, the Democrats are now worried about the effect of the Estes case on the electorate. Conversely, the G O P is hopeful that an unexpected political windfall - has landed in its lap.

In other words, the name of Billie Sol Estes could figure prominently - this year, and in Nineteen Sixty Four.

KENNEDY

President Kennedy is defending his administration
- on many fronts. And meeting strong resistance - on two
fronts.

The most furious area of ~~the~~ conflict ^{at the} ~~you may~~
~~moment~~ involves all of us, and especially
~~have heard about this - concern~~ the medical profession.

The President ^{is} ~~launching an~~ attack on the American Medical
Association ^{his yesterday speech at} ~~in~~ New York's Madison Square Garden, ~~yesterday.~~
~~The President's attack~~ ^{has been} followed ^{up,} immediately by ^a ~~tonight's~~

counter-attack - from the A M A. A spokesman for the
dissident doctors, explaining why - they oppose putting
medical care under Social Security. Why they think the
system would be too expensive, too limited in the number
of Americans covered ^{and would be an} ~~and the opening~~ ^{leading to} ~~as~~ wedge ~~for~~ socialized
medicine.

The other area of dispute, not quite so heated -
but the opponents of the President are leaving no doubt where
they stand. Subject - government and business. Specifically
- Mr. Kennedy's intervention to prevent an increase in the

price of steel. Tonight, prominent business leaders are rejecting the idea of - White House ← guide lines on wages and prices.

LAOS

The Red Guerrillas in Laos are threatening to boycott the conference table - until all American forces are withdrawn from Thailand. If they mean what they say - the chances for a Laotian peace are dim. But most western observers in Southeast Asia believe - the threat is just a ~~a propaganda gambit, a maneuver to gain bargaining power~~ before they enter negotiations for a coalition government.

We seem to
~~One thing is sure - we~~ have no intention of leaving Thailand, as long as the Red threat remains. We are still sending in reinforcements - and supplies. Bringing our total troop strength - to some five thousand men. Most of them, dug in along the Mekong River. ~~where they can see Laos on the other side.~~

RED CHINA

British authorities in Hong Kong have finally figured out the reason for the exodus from Red China. That Mao Tse-tung has too many subjects whom eh can't feed. So has ordered his border guards to turn their backs -/refugees approach the frontier.

But, where to put them in Hong Kong, with the British Crown Colony - already over-crowded. One possible solution - Formosa. Chiang Kai Shek is offering a haven - to any Chinese who find life intolerable behind the Bamboo Curtain.

Meanwhile, Mao Tse-tung is causing more trouble - far off in Central Asia. Again complaining about "aggression" by the Indian Army - along the border of Tibet above Nepal. Mao, again warning Nehru - to keep Indian troops far to the South, in the foothills of the Himalayas.

SALAN

The treason trial in Paris, today heard the defendant compared to - Charles DeGaulle. An Admiral of the French fleet, telling the tribunal - that Raoul Salan behaved as did DeGaulle in Nineteen Forty. Their motives, the same, to save Frenchmen from being overwhelmed. As DeGaulle fought Nazi domination of France - so did Salan fight Moslem domination of Algeria. At least, that's the parallel as drawn by ^{a top} ~~an~~ naval officer who remained loyal to DeGaulle, at the time of the abortive coup in Algeria.

MOHAMMED

I suppose that no anti-American riots have been more unusual than those in the walled city of Peshawar, in far Northwest Pakistan, at the entrance to Khyber Pass. The rioting caused by a rumor that an American movie company is making a film about Mohammed.

Now, Pious Moslems never show images of their prophet. In fact they consider it a violation of the biblical commandment - against graven images. The cinnabdnebt ib wguwg Niganned uhsusted - in the most literal way. Hence the distress of his followers at the thought that some actor might appear on the screen - and identify himself as the founder of their religion.

There have been plenty of anti-American demonstrations - for social and political reasons. But this is the first we have heard of a mob attacking an American consulate or Embassy - because of a movie about the inspired camel driver who launched Islam,

one of the world's most dynamic creeds. The Lord of
Arabia, and of many other lands, after thirteen
hundred years - is still Mohammed, the Prophet of
Allah.

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ASTRONAUT

The latest from Cape Canaveral - is that the weather doesn't look too good. A storm, apparently building up - in the Atlantic. Threatening to ground astronaut Scott Carpenter - on Thursday.

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BINGO

We've all heard of trains with unusual names -

The Zephyr, The Owl, The Grey Goose - in Colorado, and

so on. Now a dispatch from London mentions a new one -

The Bingo Limited. An entire train, chartered by - three

hundred and fifty bingo enthusiasts. And all they do

on board - play their favorite numbers game.

As they ride to Brighton - shouting "bingo" all

the way. Then at Brighton-on-the-Sea - more bingo, in

the big pavilion of the amusement arcade. And on the

return trip back to dear old Piccadilly - more bingo

aboard The Bingo Express.

Now Dick, if you can break away from that bingo

game - or are you playing mah jong?

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his Vikings.

STONE

~~If you happen to be traveling in France this summer don't throw away any stones, without first examining them. You could be throwing away a thousand dollars.~~

~~What's the story?~~ ^{This} Well, ~~it~~ ^{all} begins, out in Minnesota, during the Eighteenth Century, ^{when} a French explorer, ~~discovered~~ ^{found a} near Lake Superior, ~~a small~~ stone with a strange inscription. The language - unknown. So the stone was shipped to Paris in the ~~hope~~ hope that some scholar might decipher it.

That was the last - anyone heard of the stone, ^{which}

~~Some~~ historians believe ~~it~~ may have been left ~~in~~ by the Norsemen - who, according to tradition, discovered America before Columbus. The Minnesota Historical Society is offering a thousand dollars for information about ~~the~~ ^{that} ~~battered old~~ stone, last seen ~~in~~ ^{many} ~~two hundred~~ years ago in Paris, ~~it~~ ^{the stone that} could be a link with - Leif, the Lucky, and his Vikings.