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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The plan for Latin America outlined today by President Kennedy - is as spectacular as we heard it would be. The plan features the number ten. Ten years of collaboration between the nations of this hemisphere. And ten points - in the program.

President Kennedy chose a dramatic moment - for this major statement on administration foreign policy. The President and the First Lady, playing host to members of the Latin American diplomatic corps. And - members of Congress involved in legislation affecting Latin America. Two-hundred-and-fifty guests - at the White House, for today's reception.

Conspicuously absent - diplomats from Cuba and the Dominican Republic. Reason - we have no diplomatic relations with those Caribbean dictatorships. Mr.

Kennedy made it clear that the Cuban and Dominican people - are included in our new long range program.

The President, expressing - in his words, "the hope that they will soon rejoin the society of free men."

He went on to describe what he calls - "a vast new ten year plan for the Americas." Announcing - five hundred million dollars will be contributed by the United States. The purpose being - projects like the following: - War on illiteracy and disease. Scientific help - for the farmers. Greater justice - in taxation and the ownership of land. Greater opportunities for trade - in the hemisphere market. A pooling of scientific information - gathered by the scientists of all the nations.

In other words, this is the kind of plan for Latin America - that so many of our experts have been saying we must have. No mere tinkering with the existing machinery - but a radically new approach to

the problems of our hemisphere. President Kennedy, calling upon all of the partners to help raise their standard of living - without dictatorship. An inspiring idea - for the peoples of Latin America. Not quite so inspiring for the dictators who tyrannize over Cuba and the Dominican Republic.

FLYERS

The two American Air Force flyers who recently returned from a Russian jail - are now the subject of a partisan fight on Capitol Hill. The issue - were concessions made to Khrushchev, in order to get Captains McKone and Olmstead released?

The republicans charge - that some kind of deal must have been made. Or the Administration wouldn't be so reluctant - to let the flyers talk freely. The Democrats retort - that a scientific delegation to Moscow arranged the release. The American scientists telling Khrushchev if he wanted better relations with President Kennedy - the flyers would have to be sent home. The boss of the Kremlin, agreeing without getting any concessions from us. That's how our Air Force flyers happened to be released.

One of America's most famous airmen has just gone on to the "Wild Blue Yonder". Colonel Crawford who wrote

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CUBA

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TRIAL

A lot of British history has been made in old Bailey - London's most famous court. Now - another chapter of that history. The trial of five defendants - accused of spying for the Soviet Union. One more treason trial, of which old Bailey has seen so many.

Today, the proceedings began - with Lord Chief Justice Parker presiding. For the crown - attorney General, Sir Reginald Manningham-Buller.

Sir Reginald, describing to the court how British agents trailed Gordon Lonsdale, who posed as a Canadian, but is said to be a Russian. According to the attorney General, Lonsdale received documents relating to the Portland naval base - from Henry Houghton and Elizabeth Gee. Lonsdale carried these documents to the home of Peter and Helen Kroger. The pair who have been identified as - Americans Morris Cohen and wife.

British counter-intelligence agents found a radio

transmitter - hidden under the floor of the Kroger's kitchen; the radio that the crown charges was used - to beam the stolen information direct to Moscow.

Today, all five defendants pleaded innocent.

MOUNTAIN

Here's a note - for mountain climbers. A group of German mountaineers have just scaled the Eiger North Wall in the Swiss Alps. The first time ever - in winter.

The eiger North Wall - a cliff six-thousand-feet high. Almost straight up. So the four Germans plotted their ascent - like a military campaign. Making sure of - two warm meals every day. Plus coffee, tea, and fruit juices. At night, they hung on the cliff - in their sleeping bags. The weather was good. The mountaineers kept climbing. Finally making it - to the top. Conquering Switzerland's dreaded Eiger North Wall - in winter. the list ever to climb it was my old friend of Tibetan fame, Heinrich Harrer.

OCEAN

American scientists are the first ever to drill into Earth's crust - at the bottom of the ocean. Not the deepest part - only three-thousand-feet. Still, it's a fantastic accomplishment - to drill that far under water.

The place - the floor of the Pacific off La Jola, California. Dr. Francis Shepard, of the Scripps Institution of oceanography - says everything went off without a hitch. The drill, descending through three-thousand-feet of water - until it hit bottom. Then, continuing - for another three-hundred feet. Bringing up samples of earth and rock - containing fossil shells. Scientific evidence about the kind of fish that swam in the Pacific - eons ago. Far back - in geological time.

SAHARA

That kidnap story from the Sahara sounds like something - from the days of the slave trade. A band of desert raiders, bursting into the camp, rounding up all the men they could find. Then disappearing - into the sandy waste.

But this story has modern overtones. The captured men - technicians of the United Geophysical Oil Company; identified as - five Spaniards, three Americans, two Canadians, one Frenchman. Their job - to drill for oil beneath the sands.

Their assailants, crossing over into the Spanish Sahara - from Morocco; invading the oil camp - looting it. After which - they retreated back to Morocco. The oil men - carried along as prisoners.

A couple of centuries ago, the prisoners would probably have been headed for - the slave market. In 1961 - we don't know what their fate will be.

And now Dick - wherever you are!

FIGHT

Tonight you can get - four dollars for one. That is - with two big "ifs". If - you've got a bet down on Ingomar Johansson. And if - Johansson wins the big brawl in Miami. The odds-makers aren't very optimistic about Ingo. They are pegging their bets at four-to-one on Floyd Patterson.

Some say - those odds are out of line. Oh, yes, Patterson won by a knockout - the last time they met. Patterson won by a knockout - the last time they met. But - remember the first bout? Ingo, unleashing the power - of that right hand. The Hammer of Thor - knocking Patterson - galley west. Ingo thinks he can do it again. But the smart money is riding on Patterson.

And now from KSL - and Alta, Utah. S-L-U-T-M.