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Good Evening Everybody:

The latest Soviet spy to be caught in Canada - is a correspondent for "Izvestia". The voice of the Kremlin, edited by - Khrushchev's son-in-law.

Ottawa says that Vasily Tarasov - was caught red-handed. Trapped by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police - who found him in possession of classified Canadian documents. Result - another Russian, on his way home.

NATO

Officially at least, deGaulle's latest move - is being minimized. The removal of French naval officers from Nato - termed "incidental." Only ten officers - involved. And they haven't had French Nato units under their command - since deGaulle called home the bulk of his Atlantic fleet in January.

The allies of France are keeping a stiff upper lip because Paris insists that deGaulle is not ^{really} ~~practicing~~ practicing - "salami tactics." No strategy of reducing Nato - slice by slice. Evidence - the French Army and Air Force, still contributing divisions and squadrons to Nato.

SOUTH VIET NAM.

The military operation underway in South Viet Nam - may take two weeks, according to officers of the Vietnamese high command. They're throwing five battalions into the battle - for the central mountains. A bid to break - the center of the Communist line, And - roll up its wings.

The fighting - fierce. But the loyalist casualties are called "light" - because of strong support from the air. Twenty helicopters and a dozen fighter bombers - striking ahead of the Vietnamese offensive. Clearing the way in spite of the fact that four whirlybirds and one plane - were shot down within a few hours.

TIBET

The Russians and the Chinese Reds are now saying about each other - what we in the West have been saying for a long time. Take the case of - Tibet. When Mao Tse-tung ordered the invasion in nineteen fifty-one - the free world denounced the aggression. To which Moscow retorted - "What aggression?"

Tonight - Moscow knows. Informant - a Communist youth newspaper published in Tashkent, in Central Asia. The Soviet Editor, accusing the Mao - of "barbarous tyranny over the people of Tibet." Telling his readers about the attempt of the occupation forces - to crush the historic culture of the Tibetan people. *Also* ~~the~~ about the continuing resistance - up on the Roof of the World. The guerrilla warfare led by the Khamba Cavalry - the Men of Kham.

This Soviet report - sounds objective enough, until the writer comes to - his prescription for Tibet.

Restore - the Dalai Lama? Allow the Tibetan people -
freedom of religion? Give them back their lands and
their monasteries? Pull out - the army of occupation?

I wish I could answer these questions - in the
affirmative. But the Russians are not interested in -
freedom for Tibet. All this Tashkent editor calls for
- is an end to Mao's Communism, and the imposition of
Khrushchev's Communism - on the Land of the Lamas. ^{Just a}
different kind of Red tyranny for what used to be -
the Hermit theocracy on the Roof of the World.
Forbidden Tibet.

DALAI LAMA FOLLOW TIBET

Meanwhile, India - where the Dalai Lama lives in exile - is being more democratic. Prime Minister Nehru, saying that he has no objections - if the Tibetan god-king wishes to tour the Buddhist nations of Asia. Peking warned New Delhi - not to allow it. Reason - fear of anti-Communist feeling in a part of the world that Mao wants to dominate. But Nehru is telling Mao that India believes in freedom of travel, and that applies - to the Dalai Lama.

This could be an interesting tour - Burma, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Japan - and especially if the Dalai Lama visits Ceylon, because Tibet and Ceylon have been for centuries - the two poles of the Buddhist religion. Complex Mahayana Buddhism - in Tibet. The simpler Hinayana Buddhism in Ceylon.

So the Dalai Lama could have some interesting conversations - with the monks of the island off the southern tip of India.

CALIFORNIA

In California, Pierre Salinger and Alan Cranston - were right about one thing. They both predicted that Senator Clair Engle - would not be able to run again. Not after - those brain operations. And today the Senator withdrew from the race - to recuperate.

That leaves Cranston - the California State Controller, and Salinger - the former White House news secretary, ~~they~~^{to} battle it out - in the ~~Republican~~ primary. A fight - for Clair Engle's seat in the Senate.

A tough blow for a leading figure - in West Coast politics. Engle won every election - in thirty years of seeking public office. He represented his state in Washington - for twenty-one years. As he says in the telegram made public today - "I have never lost a political battle, and the latest polls show that I was not losing this one."

Clair Engle, defeated - by a different opponent. His health.

FLOUR

The twelve flour companies mentioned in today's indictment - manufacture most of the bakery flour sold east of the Great Divide. From the Rocky Mountains - to the Atlantic. Amount involved - more than three hundred million dollars a year.

The indictment accuses all twelve companies - of conspiracy to fix prices, [—] of holding conferences - to decide the figures in advance; [^] instead of leaving them to the fluctuation - of the open market.

ETNA

Sicily's famed mountain is on fire again tonight. Mount Etna - blowing its top. Rivers of molten lava - pouring out of the crater. Blazing ashes - falling around the foothills. Dense black smoke - towering into the sky. The earth - shaking underfoot.

Mount Etna over a period of several thousand years is said to have taken a million lives; that is the period we call recorded history. This time - no casualties. No one lives close enough - to get caught by the Lava now flowing down the mountain. Today the population of the big Italian island in the Mediterranean simply watches the spectacle from a safe distance. They are - used to it - used to the fury of that Sicilian fire mountain.

MERMAID

You know what happened - to the "Little Mermaid" of Copenhagen. The famous statue on a rock in Copenhagen Harbor - decapitated the other night, by some saw-wielding vandal who left the body rather forlorn - minus its head. But a Copenhagen foundry is busy on a bronze replacement - and within two months, the "Little Mermaid" will again be looking out over Copenhagen Harbor.

As for the "Chinese Boxer" of Copenhagen - the statue, stolen from the Hans Christian Andersen Garden. In the case of that desecration of the monument to the great teller of fairy tales, at least the thief - or thieves - left the statue in one piece, and the police dredged it up from a creek - today. And now it is back at the Hans Christian Andersen Garden.