

KENNEDY

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Good Evening Everybody.

In Hazleton, Pennsylvania - the race is on tonight. A race - with death. Rescuers drilling frantically alongside the shaft in which the three miners are trapped. They know that two are still alive; for the two are able to communicate with the surface. The third miner appears to be - unconscious. At least, his voice hasn't been heard - for some hours.

The hope now is that the rescuers can drill through by midnight - or the early hours of tomorrow morning. The work goes on in the midst of the

tableau we know so well, the scene at a mine shaft at a time of tragedy. Families and friends, waiting for word of the men trapped below.

## **KENNEDY**

*President Kennedy stressed three points at today's news conference:-*

*First - the nuclear Test Ban Treaty, which he again strongly defended, for reasons we've already heard. This time with emphasis on our being ready to go back to testing if the Soviet Union violates the agreement.*

*Second - Foreign Aid, which the President made the subject of his opening statement. His purpose to prod the House to get on with the Administration Bill. Mr. Kennedy termed foreign aid - a key to our fight against Communism. "Necessary and essential" - was the way he put it.*

*Third - Civil Rights, which the President considers the number one crisis before the nation.*

*As for the march - on Washington. He's prepared to meet - the leaders o the march.*

## NUCLEAR

**Doctor Edward Teller - was consistent today.**

**The genius of the Hydrogen Bomb has said all along -**

**that atomic testing in the atmosphere should continue.**

**The safety of the United States and the free world, he**

**believes, demand that we improve our defenses against**

**rocket warfare.**

**So, Doctor Teller continues to oppose the**

**Nuclear Test Ban Treaty, telling Senate investigators**

**that the agreement actually is favorable to the Soviet**

**Union and unfavorable - to the United States. "A**

**dreadful and tragic mistake" - said the atomic scientist.**



## DISARMAMENT FOLLOW NUCLEAR

Meanwhile, the diplomats are moving beyond the nuclear Test Ban Treaty - to further issues between East and West.

The first on which ~~there may be~~ there may be real progress - that question of establishing observational posts on both sides of the Iron Curtain. Soviet sources in Geneva - are making optimistic remarks about the plan. They say that Khrushchev is prepared to accept - ~~some~~ stationary observers on Soviet soil. Stationary <sup>meaning</sup> - not allowed freedom of movement inside the Soviet Union.

We wanted mobile teams - to check troops and weapons. But our experts are convinced - that stationary posts would be better than nothing. In return, Khrushchev is said to be dropping his demand - for an atom-free zone in Central Europe. We've already said "no" to this - because it would leave the Soviets with a big superiority in conventional weapons.



## **MIDDLE EAST**

**The decision by Israel to ask for a meeting of the U.N. Security Council - follows the new eruption of violence along the border with Syria. Israel and Syrian jet planes - fighting across the sky. Also ground forces, clashing again.**

**Another sudden crisis - at one of the world's most critical spots. The Middle East.**

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KHRUSHCHEV

*Bombs are flying again - in Algiers. One yesterday - another today. Seven - injured. Not a today - at the Belgrade airport? Not - a difficult large casualty list. But the fear is - that violence question. Nobody expected the Ambassador from Red China to help welcome Khrushchev. Mao's man was Algerians. The partisans of strongman Ben Bella - conspicuously absent as the jet from Moscow rolled to a stop.*

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**TENNESSEE**  
**ALGERIA**

**Bombs are flying again - in Algeria. One yesterday - another today. Seven - injured. Not a large casualty list. But the fear is - that violence could erupt on the old scale. This time Algerians against Algerians. The partisans of strongman Ben Bella - against his opponents.**

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# TENNESSEE

## COACH

**The new Senator from Tennessee may not be**

**a professional - in national politics. But he sure knows**

**his clinches. Here are a few choice remarks that Hub**

**Walters came out with - after Governor Clements appoint-**

**ed him to finish the term of the late Senator Kefauver.**

**Said Hub Walters - "charity begins at home".**

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## COACH

The verdict of a jury in an Atlanta court - that sounds rather horrendous. Or else - a fantasy - brings to an end one of the bizare episodes of recent years. An alleged telephone call between "Wally" Butts, Athletic Director of Georgia, and "Bear" Bryant football coach at Alabama. According to a Saturday Evening Post article, Butts gave Bryant information about the Georgia football team - just before the game, which Alabama won.

Butts - sued - for libel, and tonight stands triumphantly vindicated - to the tune of three million dollars. The jury awarding him - that much. Finding the magazine guilty of libel, biggest libel damages - in the history of sport. But - there'll be another chapter. The loser intends to appeal.

## LOCOMOTIVE

*The runaway locomotive of the Rio Grande - that sounds rather horrendous. Or else - a fantasy - like a title from a Disney Cartoon.*

*Actually - its neither. The locomotive is real - belongs to the Rio Grange Railroad. And it did - run away. Slipping its brakes at Carbondale, Colorado - with no one aboard. Down the tracks on its own. But no tragedy because the D. & R.G. at Carbondale isn't on a steep grade. It was only doing fifteen miles an hour - when an engineer climbed aboard - Dick - and brought the runaway locomotive to a stop - near Aspen, Colorado. Aspen, one of my favorite stopping places.*



**FRAUD    FOLLOW ROBBERY**

One aftermath of the Great British train robbery - is a rash of confidence games in Britain. Con men, taking advantage of the eternal gullibility of the public. Like this one - from Liverpool:- Joe Phillips was on his way to the bank - when a stranger struck up a conversation with him. The conversation led to a bush in the park - where the stranger pulled out a mailbag. "Ten thousand pounds inside", The stranger remarked. adding - I can't claim the reward because I have a prison record".

The end of the story - well it's an old story. Joe getting the mailbag. in return for twenty pounds. Finding it stuffed with - old newspapers. By the time he opened the bag - the persuasive stranger had disappeared - with Joe's twenty quid.