

L.T.-OLDS. TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1962.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Well, in the Congo tonight, Premier Lumumba once again appears to have the upper hand. What a see saw business this is - Lumumba's struggle for power with Kasavubu. A joint session of the Congolese Parliament voted "full powers" to Lumumba, after hearing a twenty-minute speech by the Premier, and the word is that Lumumba's forces are now in control of the Leopoldville radio, a powerful propaganda weapon. However, it's still not clear whether Lumumba can hold his present advantage over President Kasavubu.

That's why a group of moderates in the Leopoldville parliament - are asking the two leaders to meet, and come to some kind of arrangement. This "reconciliation commission" notes that the power struggle is pushing the Congo - into anarchy, and making the

Congolese government - a subject of ridicule around the world; at the worst possible moment - when the Congo Republic is facing a civil war in the rich province of Katanga.

The critical point seems to be - that neither Lumumba nor Kasvubu holds the loyalty of the army. The Congolese armed forces are split - with local loyalties. Some - for Lumumba. Some - for Kasavubu. Some against both. The key factor - the age-old tribal feuds of equatorial Africa.

KENNEDY

The Democratic candidate motored through Texas today - on the last leg of this campaign foray into the Lone Star State. The religious issue came up - and in Austin, Governor Price Daniel told a crowd at the State Capitol - that America does not recognize any religious test for the presidency.

~~But~~ Today Senator Kennedy was stressing - his theme of "a stronger America." He again called on Americans to meet the Soviet challenge - from a position of strength. And when he talked about strength - he included agriculture, saying, if elected - he'll start a whole new program for the farms.

"An end to Bensonisms" - as Kennedy put it. ~~Referring to the~~
~~Republican Secretary of Agriculture~~ In his major stop of the day, at Dallas, a cheering crowd of 175-thousand lined the streets to greet Kennedy. ~~This was considerably~~ larger than the crowd ^{that} greeted Nixon in Dallas yesterday, ~~although~~ ^{however} Kennedy had the advantage of arriving at lunchtime while Nixon got there in mid-afternoon.

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NIXON

During his tour of the Far West - Vice-President Nixon is continuing his call for "peace without surrender." When he was asked about the restrictions that we have clamped on Khrushchev - Nixon called the decision "absolutely correct." The ^{Republican} ~~Democratic~~ candidate defended the Administration policy - and pointed out that the security risk would be terrific if we allowed the boss of the Kremlin to roam freely around this country. The American people - are angry about Khrushchev's insults. ^{Also a} lot of refugees - resent the tyrant who enslaved their homelands. So, for his own sake - Khrushchev should be kept close to the U.N. So says Vice-President Nixon.

BAN FOLLOW NIXON

as you have heard
Khrushchev, ~~of course~~ - is protesting ~~against~~ the
restrictions. The Soviet ~~Em~~ Ambassador today handed a note to
our State Department - asking that Khrushchev be allowed to stay
at the house maintained by the Russians on Long Island. ^{And} / Tass
reports that Khrushchev - wants to speak in various American
cities. Khrushchev himself is quoted as saying - "the
restrictions have no ideological or moral justification."

The State Department answer to all this - is negative,
that
/ ~~Saying~~ - we just aren't going to take any risks because of
Khrushchev. The danger is pointed up - by the Chairman of the
House Committee on Un-American Activities. Congressman
Francis Walter today warned the refugees in America - that
they must not resort to violence against Khrushchev.

Congressman Walter agrees that Khrushchev has been guilty of
crimes against ~~humanity~~ ^{humanity} but he a head of state and we
~~must~~ ~~not~~ ~~see~~ ~~that~~ ~~he~~ ~~gets~~ ~~in~~ ~~and~~ ~~out~~ ~~of~~ ~~New~~ ~~York~~ ~~safely~~ have to see that he
gets in and out of New York safely.

HAMMARSKJOLD

The head of the United Nations is under fire from the Reds tonight - with Moscow becoming more and more violent. Reason - Dag Hammarskjold's handling of the Congo crisis. The Soviet press accuses Hammarskjold - of favoring the old colonialism. This onslaught is so savage - it's thought that Khrushchev is setting the state to try when he gets here, to overthrow Hammarskjold - at this session of the U.N.

Khrushchev -- with embarrassing questions, at every turn. High on the list of questions -- those concerning Stalin. What Khrushchev boasts that the Soviet Union represents. Marx and Lenin -- some American should immediately add "and Stalin." If the Powers trial comes up -- we should be ready to mention Stalin's purge trials. If Khrushchev pretends that the Soviet Press is free -- we should ask if it ever criticized Stalin during his reign of terror.

KHRUSCHEV

In London, a British official said today --
"The Americans are letting themselves be bluffed by
Khrushchev -- when they have a knock-down case against
him." This official was referring to Khrushchev's
imminent arrival in New York -- and the fact that so
many Americans are wondering how to deal with him.

The London expert suggests that our strategy
ought to be this:- We should be ready to stump
Khrushchev -- with embarrassing questions, at every turn.
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Then there's the Soviet attempt - to dominate Yugoslavia. We should be able to make a lot of mileage out of that - especially with Tito present at the U.N. And, there's Red China. Why doesn't someone ask Khrushchev - if he has warned his Communist ally to stop the aggression against India let alone give Tibetans freedom from slavery.

We can all think of a lot more questions - like those. As this British official puts it - "The case against Khrushchev is unanswerable - just be sure you state your case." Sounds like a good idea - a strategy of catching Khrushchev in contradictions he can't explain away.

ROCKET

At Vandenberg air force base in California, another Discoverer rocket - Discoverer Fifteen - was fired into space late today. Plans call for the rocket's instrument capsule to be ejected over the Pacific tomorrow. If safely recovered, it will mark the third straight success in this preliminary phase of our program to put a man into space. So much for rockets in space, I wonder what Stewart Metz will tell us - about life here on Earth.

GREYHOUND

The Greyhounds were running today - in London's Wembley Stadium. The dogs, in full cry around the track - after the mechanical jack rabbit. In the lead, the favorite - "Milton Fame". The crowd screamed - as "Milton Fame" sprinted toward the wire.

Then - the impossible. The greyhound forgot about the jack rabbit; slowed down - stopped - looked at the crowd - yawned - and wagged his tail. "Milton Fame" abandoning the race - as the other dogs whipped by.

One frantic better leaped over the rail - and kicked the greyhound. Whereupon the dog-lovers in the stadium - began to chase the kicker down the track, and he had to be rescued by the police; while the greyhounds was sent to a vet - for repairs. The dog that was winning till he yawned.