

L.T. SUSTAINING, TUESDAY, MAY 9, 1967

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

America's foremost goal in space -- is still a manned landing on the moon "in this decade;" according to Senate testimony today -- from Federal Space Chief James Webb.

True enough -- said Webb -- the first U.S. three-man space flight -- has been set back at least a year by that recent Apollo-One disaster. But the original target date for a man-on-the-moon -- remains valid, said he. Adding that North American Aviation -- will continue to be prime contractor on the job; despite the faults they found in Apollo-One.

Veteran astronaut Wally Shirra -- to head the first three-man space flight early next year. His crewmates Air Force Major Donn Eisele -- and civilian scientists Walter Cunningham.

VIETNAM

North Vietnam minus one MIG base. A U.S. spokesman in Saigon says five raids by American planes -- have completely devastated the enemy air field at Hoa Lac. The tally including destruction of twelve-to-fifteen MIGs -- that never got off the ground.

Meanwhile, tragedy of a personal nature today -- at Da Nang. American pianist Miss Philippa Schuyler -- serving as a special news correspondent in Vietnam, was scheduled to leave for the States last Saturday. But she stayed behind -- on a mission of mercy; to assist in the evacuation of a number of Catholic school children -- manaced by the Viet Cong. Flying to Da Nang today with a group of the children, -- their helicopter suddenly crashed for no known reason.

LANSING

Here at home -- at Lansing -- a further clarification today from Governor Romney of Michigan, ^{re} ~~with regard to~~ his views -- on possible peace talks in Vietnam.

Romney saying he favors including in any negotiations -- ^{that is, the} key leaders of the National Liberation Front -- ~~or~~ Viet Cong.

The governor adding that South Vietnamese leaders themselves -- should take the lead in contacting the Viet Cong, ⁱⁿ an effort to break down ^{existing} ~~ties~~ ties -- with the Communist regime in North Vietnam.

In support of his new stand -- Romney contending that "the largest percentage" of Viet Cong are ^{NOT} Communists -- but ^{are} ~~rather~~ "disenchanted nationalists"; who conceivably could be "split from North Vietnam" ^{with a} ~~said he -- through the~~ promise of "a peace with amnesty."

NEW DELHI

For the first time in the history of modern India --
a Moslem today was elected President of that largely Hindu
nation. Zakir Husain scoring a landslide victory -- by more
than a hundred thousand electoral college votes; to win the
right to succeed India's retiring president -- Dr. ^{Sarwapaali} Radhakrishnan

The win also a big morale booster -- for Madame Indira
Gandhi's ruling Congress Party. ^{Zakir} Husain -- who is currently
vice president -- having run with full party support. His
inauguration -- now set for Saturday.

VATICAN

An historic moment today -- at the Vatican in Rome. Pope Paul joining with Patriarch Khoren-the-First of the Armenian Orthodox Church -- in a dramatic demonstration of Christian unity. The two prelates kneeling side-by-side -- praying together, singing hymns together -- in the Vatican's Sistine Chapel.

The Pontiff and the Patriarch later leaving together -- to begin church reunification talks. The Pope speaking in French -- the Patriarch in Armenian, -- *singing in Latin no doubt.*

LISBON FOLLOW VATICAN

Meanwhile, a bit of a hassle today in Portugal ~~is~~ over
the Pope's planned peace pilgrimage Saturday to ^{the Shrine of} Fatima.

Government officials -- attempting to persuade the Pope to
change planes in Lisbon; instead of flying directly to Monte
Real -- ~~which has the jetport~~ ^{nearest} ~~closest to~~ Fatima;

~~The reason -- we're told --~~ because the Portuguese want
to be able to say -- that the Pope, quote, "visited" their
capital city. Where on previous ^(TRIPS) ~~trips~~ to the United States,
India and the Holy Land -- the Pontiff pointedly avoided national
seats of government.

LONDON

British Prime Minister Harold Wilson -- today ^{was} assured solid support at home; in his bid to make Britain -- the newest member of the European Common Market. This by virtue of a pledge from the opposition Conservative Party -- that it fully endorses the Wilson application.

Tory Leader Edward Heath -- taking the lead in supporting ^{the government.} ~~the government.~~ "Whatever the outcome" -- said he -- "this is not just some flash expedience of the moment." It is proof -- he went on -- "that Parliament as a whole now wants to bring about British membership -- in the European Economic Community."

In a practical vein -- Heath adding that Wilson "should not expect results by Christmas;" that "he would be wise, indeed -- to eschew timetables of any kind."

STRASBOURG FOLLOW LONDON

~~A related item~~ -- ^{at} from Strasbourg, France, ~~where~~ the

political arm of the Common Market -- today also endorsed the British bid for membership. A French delegate warning, however, that negotiations -- will be long and difficult. Raising the spectre once again -- of another French veto.

LAND OF DRAGON'S BLOOD

The strife-torn British colony of Aden -- center of recent attention in the ^{Middle}~~Near~~ East. But temporarily, at least, the focus turns today -- to an isolated island about five hundred miles away in the Gulf of Aden. The island of Socotra -- literally "the Land of Dragon's Blood," where the British have just begun a three-month scientific treasure hunt -- to discover they-know-not-what.

This "Land of Dragon's Blood" -- ~~just about what you might expect. Only a stone's throw from civilization of sorts -- yet a throwback to the Dark Ages.~~

^{an}~~The~~ island ^{once} rich ^{as}~~once~~ a crossroads of trade between the Mediterranean, India and China. ~~But then, something happened -- that~~ ships stopped stopping. And Socotra has ^(PRACTICALLY) remained unchanged -- ever since. Its climate -- half-desert, half-swamp -- with a range of mountains in between. Its people with a language of their own -- but still no way of writing it down. Its wildlife -- made up chiefly of snakes. (More)

Then why bother? Because the island's archaeology -- is almost untouched. Almost ~~nothing~~^{little} known of its geology, its birds, its insects, its plant life, Except that here is found frankincense -- the cucumber tree -- the metayne tree with wood as hard as metal -- the Dragon's Blood plant, a source of purple dye, from which the island draws its name.

Here, too -- perhaps wealth of knowledge. And so "the Land of Dragon's Blood" falls at last -- under the microscope of modern science.

DETROIT

The myth of modern American sex lore -- under fire today in Detroit; at that current meeting -- of the American Psychiatric Association.

Dr. Natalie Shainess of New York -- decrying what she called "our compulsive preoccupation with sex." Reflected mainly in (in movies and television advertising -- said Dr. Shainess; but also -- said she -- in "a constant parade of hostile, alienated, cruel or violent sex."

The result -- said Dr. Shainess: "That sex has been mechanized on a mass basis -- has been robbed of its element of tender love." With women largely to blame -- and now, ironically, chief victims of the new sexual freedom.

The evidence -- said Dr. Shainess -- in a "noticeable trend in which women pursue men" -- where there is "diminishing femininity." Leading inevitably -- said she -- "to college drop-outs, out-of-wedlock pregnancies, narcotics and alcohol addiction."

LAKE DELTON FOLLOW DETROIT

More on the same subject -- from Dr. J. Dudley Chapman, head of the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists; in remarks addressed to a state doctors convention -- at Lake Delton, Wisconsin.

Dr. Chapman calling sex education in schools and churches -- "the biggest hoax ever perpetrated on the youth in this country." Further asserting that sex education is generally taken over by "meddlesome groups" -- who end up usurping parental authority.

Dr. Chapman concluding: "The best picture of sex, love and marriage -- is painted in the home by parents." Building "ideals day by day -- as a continuing process"--said he.

ALASKA CENTENNIAL

In Alaska they refer to all the other states as the lower forty-nine or the South forty-nine. Since this is the year of Alaska's great Centennial, a hundred years since we took over that huge northern empire from Alaska, I have been and will continue from time to time ~~I'm going~~ to say something about the Centennial celebration, in Alaska.

This week at Valdez they are having special events for the local people, as well as for visitors.

~~And the same is true~~ ^{Also} in Fairbanks, Anchorage, Juneau, Ketchikan; ^{Oh yes, and} ~~and~~ ^{have} you ~~ever~~ heard of Tok Junction?

It's on the Alaska Highway, where on the fifteenth of May they are going to open a State hospitality center

for any of you travellers who turn up at Tok. Not Tilt - at Tok!

Everywhere I hear people say ^{"are you heading for"} ~~"let's go to"~~ Alaska this summer." If ~~you do~~ ^{so} just one or two tips.

Don't miss Glacier Bay, one of the wonders of the world.

To get there you should first go to Juneau, the Alaskan capital. But, I ~~suggstx~~ suggest you write to the Glacier

Bay Lodge well in advance, and make a reservation.

Then wait for a sunny day and have a boat take you around that huge bay into which flow some eighteen tremendous glaciers. More about Alaska and its Centennial later.

Of course when you get to Anchorage you ought to go down the Alaskan Peninsula for a look at the volcanos, and to see something of the huge brown bear. And when you fly north to Fairbanks you should circle Mt. McKinley, loftiest mountain in North America, and get Wien Airways to fly you to Nome on Kotzebue on Bering Sea.

Remember Alaska is one fourth the size of the entire United States so allow yourself plenty of time.

MISSOURI

Lots of important things happening in the State

of Missouri last week and this -- former President

Harry Truman's eighty-third birthday, luckily still in

robust health, and tonight we salute our CBS radio

affiliate K T T S of Springfield, Missouri. Twenty five

years on the air today. Here's to K T T S and--

~~*Solving until tomorrow.*~~

PHILADELPHIA

At Philadelphia ~~a fascinating symposium today on~~ ^{a symposium on}
~~composite materials, sometimes called~~ "building blocks
of the future." ~~The meeting bringing together~~ -- Engineers
and architects from eight nations ~~to discuss~~ ^{ing} the new
techniques of building things -- ~~from~~ ^{with} combinations of such
~~materials as~~ plastics, fibers and glass. —

~~These composite materials~~ ^y said to be many times
stronger than conventional ~~building~~ materials, ^{to} ~~already making~~
possible ~~among other things:~~ ^y giant skyscrapers -- five
times taller than the Empire State Building; jet aircraft --
with the ~~passenger~~ ^y capability of ocean liners; suspension
bridges -- spanning ten miles or more; as well as "glass"
houses -- that no rock could ever dent. ^{Want to live in}
^{a glass house? Well, a-l-u-tomorrow}