

Good Evening Everybody:

Thousands of rampaging anti-American demonstrators burned an effigy of President Lyndon B. Johnson in Athens as rioting over the Cyprus issue erupted in Greece. Students stoned American installations and fought with police on the Greek island of Rhodes.

The demonstrators claim the United States is following a pro-Turkish line in attempts to settle strife on Cyprus.

VIET NAM

Secretary Dean Rusk received some news from South Viet Nam -- pessimistic and optimistic.

Pessimistic -- because two more Americans have been killed. Two Army officers, cut down in jungle skirmishes -- as they were trying to rally the Vietnamese troops. Americans killed in action -- one hundred and ten, plus eighty -- behind the lines.

The optimistic note -- that the Vietnamese appeared to be holding their own. The loyalist Army seems to be winning a battle -- a hundred miles from Saigon.

ROCKEFELLER

The Governor of New York is calling the speech he made today -- "A major policy statement on foreign affairs." An appropriate designation because Nelson Rockefeller set down his ideas ^{concerning} ~~the~~ the major danger spots around the globe, And argued that his own solutions would be better ~~than~~ than the measures ~~that~~ ~~are being~~ adopted by President Johnson.

Here are a few -- of the Rockefeller prescriptions. He thinks ~~that~~ the President should hold a two-man summit conference -- with De Gaulle. That the dispute with Panama should be quickly negotiated -- without endangering the security of the Canal. That a common policy should be worked out for the free world -- in trading with Russians. And that the American people should be told -- exactly what it will take to win the war in South Viet Nam.

All of which means that we can expect

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of international activity -- should Nelson Rockefeller
make it to the White House.

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GLENN

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FRANCE

The word from Geneva, Switzerland, is that France has opened a campaign to become the champion of Red China -- that the Soviet Union used to be. De Gaulle, feeling that this is the strategic moment -- to court Mao Tse-tung. Take the place of Krushchev -- to whom Mao is no longer speaking.

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First salvo in this French diplomatic offensive -- an attempt to maneuver Red China into the World Health Organization. *This however was* ~~The body~~ voted down -- ~~in~~ *at* Geneva.

But De Gaulle is said to feel confident -- that he'll *soon* get Peking into the W.H.O. And then *^* into the parent organization -- the U.N.

INDIA

The announcement in New Delhi that five new divisions are joining the Indian Army -- marks the end of a hurry-up training program. The five are mountain divisions. Military units that specialize in warfare -- high in the cold thin air. Equipped with everything -- from fur parkas to skis. Also light artillery -- that can be carried up mountain slopes, and quickly assembled -- by the gunners.

The reason for this "hurry up" of course is that the Indian Army is preparing for another offensive by the Chinese Communists. New Delhi's greatest need -- soldiers who can fight in the Himalayas. Hence the crash program to form -- mountain divisions. Five of which are just about ready -- to challenge Mao Tse-Tung's men along the disputed Himalayan border. Warfare -- in the most regged mountains on our planet.

RUBY

Many in Dallas -- and elsewhere -- may get a sigh of relief out of this:- the twelfth juror picked for the trial of Jack Ruby. There seemed to be no end to the candidates who filed through and were rejected for one reason or another. The actual number of prospective jurors - - one hundred and sixty-two. The search for precisely twelve, ending today -- with the selection of a Mrs. Louise Malone.

So -- the trial begins tomorrow. The trial of the man accused of assassinating Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assassin - of President Kennedy.

WEATHER

As you know March came in like a lamb - in some parts of this country. But a late winter storm is now blowing out of the Rockies, heading East across the Great Plains. Leaving eleven inches at Lander, Wyoming, five inches -- at Denver.

In the mid-west, at Chicago's O'Hara Airfield they had to suspend all flights today. Also, at Detroit's Metropolitan Airport - because of a pea soup fog.

COST

Cost of living up again, says the Labor Department - one tenth of one percent. The main reason - higher food prices. For example, coffee is up five per cent. And the humble cabbage, cucumber and green pepper - may be costing you twenty percent more.

One quick reaction is reflected in - the union escalator clauses. One million workers, automatically receiving pay increases - of one per cent an hour.

WEDDING

What is a wedding without wedding bells?

Answer - one that's held in St. Giles Church, London.

No, the Vicar hasn't suddenly become - hard-hearted, unromantic, unresponsive to the tender emotions. It's just that so many couples are hastening to the altar at St. Giles - there just isn't time to ring the bells between ceremonies.

Explanation - British taxes. Any Britisher who gets married before April fifth - can claim a rebate of almost two hundred pounds. That's why they say over in London so many blushing maidens are saying "yes" - so many that the Vicar has to schedule marriages every half hour. Weddings like autos on a Detroit - I mean Lansing - assembly line, Dick - minus wedding bells.

RIFLE

The rifle that has just been added to the Army's arsenal -- is right out of science fiction. Except - that it happens to be real. Ammunition - light. In fact light - itself.

This rifle shoots a ray of light - like a bullet. A ray that can set a building - on fire. Or - detonate explosives. Or - blind an enemy temporarily. Like looking at the sun - too long.

But it's a rifle that also has - peacetime uses. That is it can be used like radar - to measure distances. You simply fire at - an object. And measure the time it takes the beam of light - to bounce back.

You remember Buck Roger's ray gun? Now - the U.S. Army is using it.