

L.T.-OLDS. THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1962

(L.T. on his way to the South Sea Islands and South Pole. Bc.given by Doug Edwards of CBS.)

GOOD EVENING, EVERYBODY:

It's a great pleasure and privilege to be sitting in for Lowell Thomas for a time. He's on another of his journeys and we'll be hearing from him from time to time.

It looks as though Soviet Premier Khrushchev has actually lived up to his promise to get those missiles out of Cuba. The Defense Department announced tonight that aerial reconnaissance by U.S. planes indicates that all known medium-range and intermediate range missiles in Cuba have been dismantled and loaded aboard Russian cargo ships. In making the announcement, Assistant Defense Secretary Arthur Sylvester said that within the next twenty-four hours the United States expects to obtain additional confirmation of the removal of missile equipment. This, Sylvester said, would be obtained by the close, alongside observation of Soviet cargo

ships by U.S. Navy vessels. He added that it's understood the Russian ships will cooperate in this procedure. At the same time, a spokesman for the Pentagon said the procedure is still being worked out and he did not rule out the possibility that U.S. naval parties might board the Russian ships. It was also indicated that the first contact between the U.S. Navy and the Russian ships might come to around daybreak tomorrow.

Informed sources at U.N. headquarters in New York said tonight Russia has told the United States that all Soviet missiles will be out of Cuba by Monday, and there will be no need for U.S. Navy inspection of Soviet ships after that date. According to these sources, the implication was that Soviet authorities would object to the inspection of outbound Soviet cargo ships after Monday. The sources said, however, the Russians did not make it clear whether they are setting Monday as a definite deadline for ending the outbound cargo inspection. This was reported as the United States and Russia entered new negotiations at the U.N., in an effort to break the deadlock over the removal of Soviet jet bombers which are still in Cuba.

CUBA

The Havana Radio's news blackout on the Soviet-Cuban talks continued for the second straight day today. Premier Khrushchev's personal emissary, Anastas Mikoyan, has been in Havana since last week to reconcile differences between Russia and Cuba over the Soviet order to dismantle the missiles but there has been no official statement about the talks. A Cuban government official did announce today, however, that six foreign journalists, who have been held incommunicado since their arrival in Havana last week, will be expelled from Cuba tomorrow.

in Geneva on Monday.

KHRUSHCHEV

Premier Khrushchev is again making peace-making gestures, this time in the field of nuclear testing. He has announced that Russia would end nuclear testing on November Twentieth, and advanced the idea that now would be a good time for an East-West agreement on a nuclear test treaty. Our State Department said today that would be fine, if Premier Khrushchev means what he says. A Department spokesman said it was hoped that Russia would, therefore, give the highest priority to achieving a test ban agreement at the eighteen-nation disarmament conference which is scheduled to reconvene in Geneva on Monday.

INDIA

More heavy fighting reported in India on the eastern front. This at a time when Prime Minister Nehru has warned Communist China that India will never submit to the invasion of its territory. Nehru also rejects the latest Peiping peace overture in a defiant speech at the opening of a three-day emergency parliament session at which he won pledges of support and loyalty from all opposition political parties except the Communists. And all other Indian parties echo his praise for the United States for responding quickly to India's appeal for arms.

MRS. ROOSEVELT

Among the two hundred and fifty persons making plans to attend the funeral of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt on Saturday are President John Kennedy and former President Truman. Eloquent tributes to America's First Lady of the world are pouring in from around the world -- from men powerful in government and industry, from kings, dictators, and diplomats. They are coming from people who loved her and respected her, even though many often disagreed with her. U.N. Ambassador Adlai Stevenson put it this way: "Instead of cursing the darkness ... she lighted candles, and warmed the world."

PILOTS

For thirteen Eastern Airlines pilots -- a bit of federal discipline. The Aviation Agency announces it has levied fines against them for safety violations, such as sleeping at the control of airliners, reading magazines while in the cockpits, and letting stewardesses fly their planes. That means they'll have to anti-up from three hundred to six hundred dollars. Who did the peeking? Eastern flight engineers, over a two-year period. Nine captains and four co-pilots involved.

Should make for quite clubby relations henceforth.

L.T. JR.

Lowell Thomas, Junior, today conceded defeat in his bid to win a seat in the House of Representatives from Alaska against incumbent Democratic Representative Ralph Rivers.

ELECTION

The Justice Department reported today it has begun the investigations of about forty complaints of alleged violation of Federal laws in last Tuesday's elections. A Department spokesman said the complaints are still coming in and were expected to total about seventy in all. Most of them, however, were considered minor in nature. The only complaint involving racial discrimination came from Phoenix, Arizona, where about sixty Negroes allegedly were required to read a section of the U.S. Constitution before being allowed to vote.

KENNEDYS

With one notable exception in Massachusetts, some Kennedys didn't do so well in last Tuesday's Congressional elections. Four candidates by the name of Kennedy ran for Congress. The most notable one - the President's brother - Teddy - easily won a U.S. Senate seat in Massachusetts. But in Rhode Island, a republican bus driver from North Providence named John F. Kennedy, was soundly defeated by incumbent Democratic Representative John Fogarty.

And in Illinois, a business man named John A. Kennedy from Winnetka, lost to Republican Donald Rumsfeld in the Thirteenth District. Finally, in Ohio, real estate man Richard Kennedy, a Democrat, lost out in his bid for Congressman-at-large from Ohio. A man with another famous last name, Dick - Robert A. Taft, Jr. - won that race.

BURGLAR

Police in New York tonight are searching for an obligingly cooperative burglar who posed for a photographic portrait before robbing the photographer of two hundred and fifty dollars. The well-dressed bandit walked into the studio and asked to have pictures made that he "could send home to mother." After several poses, he requested a glass of water, and - as the photographer, Vincent Armas, went to get it, the bandit struck him on the head with a jar of hair-dressing and took the money from his pockets.

A detective found the negatives of the bandit's picture still in the camera and took them to police headquarters. Some ten thousand copies of the obliging bandit's photograph have been distributed to police in the New York area.

Good night -- I'll be back tomorrow.