

L.T. - OLDS. THURSDAY, MAY 9, 1963

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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The truce in Birmingham - is exactly that. Negro leaders, calling off the street demonstrations - until tomorrow morning. But reminding everyone concerned that the truce will end - if no final settlement is worked out by then. A settlement that must include - all four of the basic demands of the anti-segregationists.

Two of those demands were met today - according to Martin Luther King. We are told that they include - partial desegregation of lunch counters, and the upgrading of job opportunities for Negroes.

The two that have not yet been accepted by both sides - release of the demonstrators who are in jail, and the establishment of a timetable for the integration of Birmingham schools.

INTRODUCTION TO TAPE

We have another report from Lowell Thomas - tonight.

This time - from Austria.

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at Innsbruck, Austria, all about the date and place of the
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INNSBRUCK

Hello Everybody:

Are you among the millions interested in winter sports? If so, you know all about the date and place of the next Winter Olympics. At the end of January and early February - this coming winter - they'll be held right here in Austria at this glorious city of Innsbruck. Having been at the last Winter Olympics, at Squaw Valley in California, I was just naturally interested to see what preparations they are making here at Innsbruck. The answer is - they are going all-out, and they expect and hope to surpass Squaw Valley, where the Olympic Games took place under almost ideal circumstances, in the High Sierra. It was almost perfect at Squaw Valley for both participants and spectators.

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Brenner Pass and the Italian border, it's only two hours by car or train south of Munich in Bavaria, right in the heart of Europe.

To take skiers up the mountains here they have three T-bars, ten chair lifts, and three cable cars, to handle more than four thousand people per hour.

To accommodate the contestants on the outskirts of Innsbruck they already have built eight eleven-story apartment buildings, that will take care of more than a thousand participants who come from many countries. After the Winter Olympics these tall buildings will be occupied by people of Innsbruck. In fact, they've already been rented to them.

The jumping hill -- it's something you should see. An amphitheater to accommodate sixty thousand people. The amphitheater looks right down on this picturesque city. Between the jumping hill and Innsbruck you can also see a great new ice arena that will accommodate ten thousand

The races will be on nearby mountains, easily accessible. And here's something that will appeal to those who are coming to Innsbruck.

The roads are being re-designed so that automobiles will always be going one way -- no two-way traffic at all. Professor Friedl Wolfgang and his assistant Dr. Fritz Nigrini have shown me everything, and I agree that they are going all-out, trying to out-do what we did at Squaw Valley, and they will I guess providing the weather man cooperates, as he did for our people in the High Sierra.

Shall we meet here? Okay.

Solong,

FOLLOW L.T.

Okay, Lowell. But I'm not sure that I'll take any of those big jumps with you - on the Innsbruck ski run.

SPACE

President Kennedy repeats that as long as he is in the White House - the exploration of space will be pushed. Mr. Kennedy standing by his decision - not to let the Russians do all the traveling to the moon and the planets.

This came out today - when the President appeared before the Committee for Economic Development. He warned his listeners to expect - more Soviet space spectacles. And then President Kennedy promised - that we'll have a few space spectacles of our own.

ASTRONAUT

While President Kennedy was speaking, America's next man-in-space - was going through a dry-run. L. Gordon Cooper - on a simulated ride into orbit. Checking every last detail from blast-off at Cape Canaveral - until his space capsule comes down by parachute into the Pacific off Midway Island. Major Cooper, reviewing everything he's likely to experience - along the way.

So far, this space flight - is right on schedule. Astronaut and rocket - ready to go. The weather prediction - favorable. Gordon Cooper, about to take - the longest trip of any American in history. If all goes well, he'll circle the earth - twenty-two times.

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I suppose that General Ivan Serov - can consider himself lucky. True, the Soviet general - has lost his military ~~command~~ ^{POINT}. But at least he hasn't lost - his head. Thus far - anyway.

[The point is that Serov rose - through Stalin's dreaded secret police. He was deputy under Beria - when Beria got himself liquidated by Khrushchev and company. Somehow Serov made the transition - to the era of destalinization. He was sent to Britain to prepare for the visit of Khrushchev and Bulganin - in nineteen fifty-six. But the British raised such an outcry against this sinister secret policeman - that Serov had to be shipped back to Moscow.]

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until*

HAITI

The situation in Haiti is confused tonight - because of conflicting reports.

First of all, those Americans who flew to Miami today - heard shooting in Port-au-Prince. The chatter of machine guns - and the sound of grenades going off. Some of the Americans thought it was - a massive rising against President Duvalier.

But from Port-au-Prince came the report of Duvalier's chief opponent - fleeing to the Argentine Embassy. Clement Barbot, said to have escaped from - the debacle of an abortive insurrection.

Tonight - confusion is the word for Haiti.

That state of emergency in British Guiana - is a result of the strike that has paralyzed transport on the highways and railroads. The workers, downing tools - to demonstrate against Premier Cheddi Jagan. Causing a depletion of food stocks - to the point where Jagan had to declare a state of emergency.

Although he's a Marxist - Jagan seems unable to get along with the workers. Although he's an anti-colonialist - he's asking London to keep a battalion on the alert. Ready to help him govern - British Guiana.