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Good Evening Everybody:

The usual polite invitation to visit America was made by President Kennedy - when he visited Pope Paul, the Sixth this week. But the invitation - may be accepted. The Vatican saying today that the new Pope may visit the new world - if an "opportune occasion" arises. In any case, such a visit will not take place before the end of the Ecumenical Council, nor will it be during an election year over here.

If the Pope does come to the United States - he will be the first Pontiff in history to do so. An interesting thought - the Pope in the U.S.A.

KENNEDY

There may be no July Fourth holiday - for President Kennedy this year. The President, just home, after a busy schedule in Europe, to find his desk piled high - with both foreign and domestic business. So he plans to clear that desk up a bit - tomorrow. And he doesn't even know yet he will make it to Hyannisport this weekend - to join Mrs. Kennedy and the children.

ISSUES FOLLOW KENNEDY

First item on the list of matters awaiting his attention here at home - Nikita Khrushchev.

The President held meetings today - with his top foreign advisers. Object - to try and figure out if the boss of the Kremlin really means it, when he says he is ready to sign - an agreement banning atmospheric and under water nuclear explosions, or is he just trying to - throw a monkey wrench in the works by making such an agreement depend on the signing of a non-aggression pact - between Nato and its Communist counterpart, The Warsaw Pact Alliance.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Attorney General Robert Kennedy, testifying before Congress again today, spoke of civil rights - and also margarine.

Kennedy, in an exchange of words with Senator Frank Lausche of Ohio. Senator Lausche wanted to know how far Congress would ultimately go - in regulating the nation's business men.

Whereupon the Attorney General retorted that Congress has passed laws - telling restaurants how to shape their Oeo margarine, and what to put on their menus. Adding that these laws apply - in Ohio.

He insisted that the administration's proposals for civil rights in public accommodations, restaurants and so on, would not shackle business.

SINO-SOVIET

Communist China today distributed to western embassies ~~sent~~ copies of a note it is sending - to Russia. The note protests the expulsion, by the Soviet government, of five officials from China's Moscow embassy. And accuses Russia generally - of putting a heavy strain on Chinese - Soviet relations.

All this on the eve of the ideological talks designed to - straighten out their differences.

To observers of the scene it seems ~~highly~~ unlikely at this point - that any ~~real~~ real progress will be made.

Khrushchev and Mao Tse Tung are now in a head-on collision - for ~~the~~ leadership of the Communist bloc. No one on either side of the Red line - or in the West - expects the Friday meeting to stop the collision. The only question now - is whether Russia and Red China will come to an open split.

ROMANIA

Last night we had news that Bulgaria - was seeking closer economic ties with the West.

Tonight we hear that Romania would like to have friendlier relations - with foreign countries. Specifically - in terms of trade. In fact diplomatic ~~SOURCE~~ sources say ~~that~~ Romania is willing to "sacrifice" its close ties with Soviet Russia - ~~in~~ in order to extend its contacts with other nations.

Romania's neighbors and comrades, the Yugoslavs, say that what Bucharest has in mind is to deal with both the Russians - and the Chinese. Play both sides of the street in fact. And in this way give itself a freer hand - to differ from Moscow. ^{also} ~~and~~ to start up trade relations - with the West.

ESPIONAGE

Russia is now demanding the release of Ivan and Alexandria Egorov, those spies arrested by the F B I yesterday. The Soviets arguing - diplomatic immunity. But our State Department, in rejecting this demand, points out that - Egorov is not an accredited diplomat. Merely an employee of the U.N.

No mention by the Russians of the other couple arrested at the same time, - the so-called Baitches, whose nationality - has not yet been revealed. Or - their right names either.

But Attorney General ~~Robert~~ Kennedy said today - that more persons are being watched by the F B I - as a result of investigations into the Russian spy ring, a ring which has been operating ~~xx~~ since - Nineteen Fifty-Seven. All of which, says the Attorney General - points up the need for new laws, ~~Laws~~ to allow the government to use wire taps as evidence - in court.

CUBA

Refugees crowded the decks of the American freighter Maximus - as it slid into Port Everglades, Florida, today. They waved, cheered, shouted "Viva United States" - and sang snatches of - the Cuban National Anthem. The freighter blew its whistle - to help them along. The ship jammed to the gunwales - with more than twelve hundred Cuban refugees. The last to be brought out by the Red Cross - under the agreement with Castro. ^{the} ~~That~~ agreement ~~which~~ gives him medical supplies - in exchange for refugees.

MEXICO

If the spirit of Hernando Cortez is hovering over Mexico tonight - it must be astonished by this dispatch from Mexico City. Subject - the languages of modern Mexico. The dispatch says that a million Mexicans don't speak any Spanish.

Back in Fifteen twenty-one, Cortez was sure - that Spanish civilization would replace the Aztec civilization he had overthrown. The Spanish language to replace the Aztec language. The barbarous Indian lingo - to disappear.

But - it didn't disappear. Four hundred years later - still going strong. One million Mexicans - of the Heblo area to the North, and the sub-tropics to the South - have never spoken the language of Cortez. They still speak - the language of Montezuma.

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HOLIDAY

The Fourth of July - with us again. With -
all its fun - and its hazards. The National Safety
Council grimly predicts that between five hundred
and fifty - and six hundred and fifty Americans will
not be with us by the end of the week. Dick, let's
all resolve to prove that prediction wrong!

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