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Have you been following "Dora"? Tonight's U P I dispatch calls the storm "monstrous." "Dora" a monster - in size. A monster - in action. Also "savage, violent, paralyzing, destructive." And -- so on.

This by way of preface -- to the story of the day. "Dora" devastating the Atlantic Coast -- from Florida to the Carolinas. Tearing up the Piney Woods, the Florida Panhandle - and the Savannahs of Georgia. Breaking through seawalls, flooding the lowlands -- carrying boats and beach cottages away.

Hardest hit - the cities along the route taken by the hurricane. In Saint Augustine and Jacksonville - power lines down. Roofs - blown off. So many stores with plate glass windows broken - that looting started.

The matter of looting - sounds bizarre. "Who in the world would go out in a storm like this --

ADD HURRICANE

to steal cigarettes and beer?" That's how one resident of Jacksonville - put it.

The damage caused by "Dora" already runs into the tens of millions -- in Florida alone. The havoc so tremendous the President has ordered federal agencies to stand by for disaster relief.

GOLDWATER

In Minneapolis, tonight - Barry Goldwater is talking about the relation of civil rights to lawlessness. and accusing the administration - of putting them together. Specific reference - the street demonstrations by certain civil rights groups. The failure of the administration, According to the Republican nominee -- an attempt to "legislate morality," which only produces - more lawlessness, ^{as he put it,} while the correct answer to the civil rights problem - lies in conscience rather ~~than~~ than law. The Arizona Senator promises to attack the problem from that direction - if elected.

Minneapolis, ^{old} ~~being~~ Hubert Humphrey's stamping ground ^{where he once was} ~~he used to be~~ Mayor of Minneapolis ^{and} Goldwater took a few pot shots at the Democratic candidate for Vice President. One of the charges being - that Humphrey belongs to a "socialistic group" ^{- the organization known as} ~~The~~ Americans for Democratic Action.

JOHNSON

President Johnson's address in Harrisburg,
Pennsylvania ^{today also} distinctly political. Directed at --
his opponent in the run for the presidency.

Mr. Johnson asking the American people to
reject, what he terms, "reckless factions". And
keep extremists from taking over in Washington.

No mention of Barry Goldwater by name.

But everyone at the Democratic fund-raising dinner in
Harrisburg understood the political implications.

President Johnson - politicking in the manner for
which he is ^{well known,} ~~known,~~

AFRICA

Not so long ago, the following statement would have sounded - rather ~~bit~~ bizarre. The statement that the Chinese are invading Africa - to ~~attack~~ attack the Russians. A glance at the map, will show you how absurd - the thing looks. Africa ~~is~~ a long way - from China. And how can the Chinese find Russians - in the Congo or Zanzibar?

An older generation would have called it - Alice in Wonderland geography. Scrambling the map - by shifting ~~the~~ continents at will. But this is Nineteen Sixty-Four. ^{And} The Chinese are indeed challenging the Russians - in Africa. We already know about Mao's ~~is~~ ^{'s} ~~is~~ offer of economic aid - to undercut Khrushchev.

Tonight, a London dispatch mentions - direct military aid. The first detachment of Mao's military instructors - ~~is~~ arriving in Tanganyika. Publishing a proclamation to the effect - that they will replace the

*Russians anywhere that an African government ~~is~~ prefers
Peking - to Moscow.*

A collision of the two Red giants - in Africa.

MALAYSIA

The Malaysian crisis has taken a really sinister turn - in the opinion of some experts on the Far East.

Evidence - that declaration by the Malaysian Prime Minister in the Kuala Lumpur parliament. Abdul Rahman, revealing that more than two thousand Malaysians have defected to the Indonesians - on Borneo.

Sinister, because of the Prime Minister's phrase - "mostly Chinese". A phrase that points up the problem of many nations - in Southeast Asia. How to handle a large Chinese minority - which so often takes a lead from Peking.

With Peking is siding with Jakarta - against Kuala Lumpur. So there's no minimizing the danger - of Malaysian Chinese defecting to the Indonesians. This, on top of those ~~stark~~ ^{the street battles} violent riots between the Chinese and the Malay^s in Singapore.

SPACE

~~Not~~ When you land your spaceship on the moon -
or maybe Mars or Venus - be sure to land on your back,
~~Not~~ - sitting up; ~~Or~~ - facing forward.

That's the advice of Colonel John Stapp - of the
famous "Jet Sled". The Air Force officer who learned
about high speed - by rocketing down the tracks faster
than anyone ever has - without becoming airborne.

The Colonel's problem - to see how our spacemen
could ^{best} adjust to jolting landings in the solar system. Today
he told the space ~~fun~~ conference in Warsaw - about the
safest posture for astronauts. Namely - lying tilted at
a forty-five degree angle. Thus distributing the shock -
where the body can take it. Along - the back and legs.

Our space ships will have their seats installed -
to take advantage of this scientific fact. So says John
Stapp - who ^{himself} has no intention of venturing into ~~any~~ outer
space. He'll stick to - his earthbound "jet sled".

JUNKS

The bronze star goes to - the "junk man."

The bronze star, as you know -- if for valor. The "junk man" -- he's Claude Peverill of the U.S. Navy. A bosun's mate - from Alexandria, Virginia. His "junk" -- well, it should be plural. The "junks" -- that patrol the waters of South Viet Nam.

Claude Peverill has been training the crews - aboard the age-old sailing ship of the Orient. His assignment - to stop the Reds from smuggling men and arms. He's been showing the Vietnamese how to use navigational instruments, under water bombs -- and machine guns. Result. An Asiatic coast guard just right to its job.

As Peverill's tour of duty ends -- after almost two years, he leaves Saigon with the bronze star; -- the bosun's mate from Alexandria, Virginia. Dick, the exotic Southeast Asia "junk man."

TEXAS

Let's see if we can follow the politics of Crystal City, Texas. City Manager George Ozuna - fired policeman Leonardo Santoya. Mayor Juan Cornejo fired City Manager Ozuna -- and Police Chief Ray Perez. Then the policeman - got his job back, and his first assignment - to arrest the police chief.

Meanwhile, the Mayor had himself declared City Manager and along with the City Council they voted to oust one of the councilmen - charging that he hadn't paid his light and gas bills.

But eh councilman is suing -- to say on the council. The former City Manager and the former police chief -- are suing to get their jobs back. And we hope there's a judge with the wisdom of Solomon -- in Crystal City, Texas.