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(Given by Walter Cronkite, L.T. in So. Pacific)

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Tonight, as you hear my voice, once again I am flying across the Pacific. Why don't I stay at home once in a while? As I hope you all know, for more than a year now I have been working on a TV High Adventure series for United Motors and Delco, of General Motors. Each of these is a one-hour program. And each one involves what might be called a major expedition. For each of these the crew is in the field for three months or longer. And I am with them part of the time.

Allan Jackson substituted for me recently, when I was off on an expedition to Alaska, and then the latest one, to the Mountains of the Moon country in Equatorial Africa. Tonight you will hear the highlights of the news from another of my colleagues and friends, Walter Cronkite

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Walter will be on in just a moment. Before he takes over, I want to thank Allan Jackson for the handsome way he handled the program for many weeks this summer.

Oh yes, as to where I am heading for at this moment! About two hours from now we will be dropping down at Hawaii and then taking off almost immediately for the long flight to Fiji. There we will be met by a special Pan American plane that will fly us to Samoa. At Pago Pago we expect to be met by a ship that will take us to one of the most remote islands in the Pacific, an island that not many have ever seen, an island where there is no harbor. In order to get in there will be a special demolition crew to blow up a portion of the reef. But more about that when we get there.

I sure would like to stay at home once in a while. I hate to miss the gorgeous Autumn colors up in the Berkshire Hills, where I live. I'd like to be here when

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the Braves come to New York in a couple of days. I'd like to see a couple of football games. And this weekend I should be in Durham, North Carolina, taking part in some important events in connection with one of the great TV and radio stations of the South - WTVD - Durham!

I have just two more things to say now - first, I hope you will be with me Wednesday night, October Eighth, when the first of my Adventure Series for this season will be on the entire CBS-TV network. The first one will take you on a journey to our thrilling forty-ninth state, Alaska.

And now, here's our eminent political expert, veteran, foreign correspondent, newsman and commentator, Walter Cronkite. Greetings, Walter! Delighted to have you aboard.

CYPRUS

Savage fighting has erupted on Cyprus - in what looks like an all-out war of the Greek underground against the British. The terrorists and the Tommies were shooting at one another today - in various places clear across the island. And the terrorists perpetrated one of the worst atrocities yet. In Famagusta, they shot down the wife of ~~ka~~ a British soldier - while she was shopping.

The terrorist organization is obviously making a last ditch attempt - to stop the British plan for "partnership" rule of Cyprus. The "partnership" is supposed to include - the Greeks, the Turks, and the British. It's due to go into effect on Wednesday.

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LEBANON

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In Beirut - more rioting against the new government of President Chehab. Four thousand followers of former President Chamoun - swarmed through the streets of the Lebanese capital. They threw ~~a~~ barricades across the main highway - setting them afire, stopping all traffic. Special troops had to be rushed to the scene - where the demonstrators resisted with sticks and stones. The soldiers fired into the mob - before they could restore order. The toll; at least three civilians killed - twelve wounded.

UNITED NATIONS

At the United Nations, the ground swell increased today - in favor of U.N. intervention in the Formosa Strait. Norway and Thailand were already on record - and today New Zealand and Greece joined them. It's expected that the powerful Afro-Asian group will go along with the idea. A lot of small nations getting together - asking Dag Hammarskjold to use his good offices - to stop the shooting around Quemoy.

QUEMOY

That Communist aerial attack over Quemoy - was carried out by at least ~~six~~^{eight} of Mao Tse-tung's Mig fighters. Six of them flew at twenty thousand feet - forming a protective cover. Two Migs then zoomed in at five ~~thousand~~ thousand feet - and poured bullets into a Nationalist cargo plane - as it was parachuting food and medicine to the garrison on Quemoy. Two men aboard were wounded by the Communist fuselage - but the pilot managed to crash-land -- without anyone else being hurt.

ATOMIC

The latest Russian diplomatic move apparently is going to get a cold shoulder from Washington.

The word from the capital today is the State Department will turn down the Reds' attempt to upgrade the forthcoming Geneva nuclear talks. Those talks - to try to work out a ban on atomic bomb tests - are supposed to begin the end of this month - the plan: to have experts with ambassadorial rank discuss the problems of such a ban.

But now the Russians have proposed that the foreign ministers meet on the subject. The department indicates today, though, that Secretary of State Dulles will be somewhere else, at another meeting - that the proposition doesn't suit America.

De GAULLE

Premier DeGaulle's new plan for Algeria does not make concessions - to the rebels or to the Right Wing French settlers. In today's speech in the city of Constantine - DeGaulle called for a "profound transformation of Algeria." He refused any concessions to the rebels - by insisting on the solidarity of the territory - with the French mainland. He refused any concessions to the Right Wing - by saying that two-thirds of the Algerians elected to the new French Assembly - must be Moslems.

EISENHOWER

Tonight President Eisenhower is in Washington's Walter Reed Hospital - for his annual check-up. Mr. Eisenhower arrived at the hospital - accompanied by his physician, ~~Gen~~ General Howard Snyder. The President, was greeted by General Leonard Heaton, Commanding Officer of the Medical Centre.

The White House will issue a report - tomorrow afternoon. President Eisenhower obviously is confident that the report will be - favorable. He's announced that he's ready to undertake an active role in the coming political campaign - the most active, since he entered the White House.

TRIAL

A Miami attorney pleads innocent to the charge - that he conspired to get favorable influence with the Federal Communications Commission. Attorney Thurman Whiteside is accused of trying to buy the vote of former Commissioner Richard Mack - in a decision affecting T.V. Channel Ten in Miami. After Whiteside entered a plea of "not guilty" - the judge set his trial for January Sixth. As for Richard Mack - he was too ill to appear in court.

FAUBUS

The Governor of Arkansas says that four high schools in Little Rock - may remain closed, for the rest of the school year. Governor Faubus issued a formal statement - calling on the federal government to back down. According to the Governor, ^{the} people of Little Rock have voted for segregated schools - and therefore he will not open them / on an integrated basis. That's why he's ready to see the schools unused - if ~~Walt~~ Washington insists on integration.

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INTEGRATION

And there has been another call from the south for resistance to integration. South Carolina's Governor Strom Thurmond says the South ought to defy the Supreme Court's ruling and operate its schools as it sees fit. The court, and the President, says Governor Thurmond, are guilty of "brutal persecution" against the south.

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A southern hero of integration, Negro leader Doctor Martin Luther King, is out of the hospital, almost fully recovered from a stabbing that came near taking his life. He was wounded just two weeks ago tomorrow in a Harlem book store by a woman who still is under psychiatric examination.

PLANES

Across the Atlantic by jet passenger plane - will become a reality very soon. Today the Port of New York Authority announced - that jet planes will be allowed to operate in and out of Idlewild Airport. So the green light is given to both - the British Overseas Airways Corporation, and Pan American World Airways.

BOAC promptly announced - it might inaugurate commercial jet travel across the Atlantic, tomorrow. The British have their famous ~~DeHavilland~~ DeHavilland Comet - ready for service.

While Pan Am is standing by with - its Boeing Seven Oh Seven.

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GIRLS

A lot of Chicago policemen are still blushing - after what two teen-aged girls did to them last night. Gloria Drogus and Kay Pauley came whizzing along in a bright yellow car - at one thirty A.M. They were doing better than a hundred miles an hour. The alarm went out - and six police cruisers took up the chase. One by one, they gave up the chase - because Gloria and Kay were just too fast for them. That yellow car even roared around a road-block - leaving some bewildered patrolmen behind.

Finally, the teen-aged driver misjudged a curve - and piled her flashy automobile up in a ditch. The two emerged from the wreck - unhurt. They claim they'd still be outdistancing the police - if it hadn't been for that accident. The police aren't saying much - not after six of their cars fell by the wayside - in a speed race with two teen-aged girls. But, whatever the police embarrassment the piled up car, the shaken but miraculously unhurt girls and Don that is moral enough.

QUIZ

In Genoa, Italy, one TV network has a special problem on its hands - all because of a quiz program. No, it has nothing to do with fixing the program - handing out answers in advance. What's bothering the network is - the peculiar status of one contestant.

Carlo Botta applied to appear on the quiz show - called "Double Or Nothing." He described himself as an expert on crime. Well, he should know something about his subject - because he's doing time in jail, on a charge of swindling.