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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

It is now disclosed - that two rockets were fired from balloons out in the Far Pacific - at Eniwetok. The balloon launchings - representing a new technique in rocketry.

Earlier in the day, the news told of a highly successful experiment. The rocket - reaching an altitude of a thousand miles. Probably - much farther. The missile - intended to reach from one thousand to four thousand miles into outer space.

The data on this comes from telemetry equipment - which sends back radio information. The record will have to be studied more closely by the scientists - before they can tell exactly how far it went. They promise a report - tomorrow.

The other outer space rocket also was fired, at Eniwetok, on Sunday. But there's no telling about it.

The missile got off all right, launched from a balloon at a hundred thousand feet - but the telemetry equipment went out of whack, so there is no way of knowing just where that rocket went.

The balloon technique is this: They send aloft a huge gas bag - the ponderous rocket slung below it. At high altitude, where the atmosphere is extremely thin - the rocket fires, and soars upward through a chimney in the balloon. This, they say, points the way - to a rocket reaching the moon. Launch it, not from the ground - but from away up there, at the outer edge of the atmosphere.

The successful experiment at Eniwetok achieved the highest man has ever sent an object. Far higher - than the Russian satellite. Scientists agree that this new exploit of ~~the~~ ours is not as spectacular as the launching of "Sputnik". But they hope it will provide a bit of competition for the Soviets - in the matter of prestige.

Meanwhile, there's continuing activity at Cape Canaveral, Florida, where the Air Force has just staged a successful test of its intermediate ballistic missile - Thor. Which went speeding through the sky - along a fifteen hundred mile range, out over the ocean.

Two days ago, the Army fired "Jupiter" - likewise an intermediate ballistic missile. That experiment also successful.

All this - part of a competition. The Army - versus the Air Force. "Jupiter" and "Thor" - rivals. The Defense Department must, eventually, decide - which of the two is to be adopted as our intermediate missile. Not, of course, intercontinental. That's something else again.

We hear that the Air Force has launched Thor successfully - three times out of eight attempts. The Army "Jupiter" three times out of five.

## CONFERENCE

In Washington today, - President Eisenhower and British Prime Minister MacMillan continued their ~~xxx~~ conference, and concentrated on plans for pooling British and American resources in the rocket and atomic energy fields - ordering their top aides to prepare plans - which the President and Prime Minister will consider tomorrow.

## MIDDLE EAST

Moscow says - Russian troops held atomic maneuvers near the Turkish frontier, recently. Which announcement may be taken - as another trouble-making gesture. Following the appointment of Red Marshal Rokossovsky - to the command of the Soviet military forces along the border with Turkey.

On the other hand, two staff correspondents of the United Press made a tour of that other frontier, regarded as a danger spot. ~~They made their way along~~ the line separating Syria and Turkey - where the Syrians have been charging Turkish mobilization. They report - they found all quiet, with little sign of military activity on either side.

Damascus tells of an exchange of gunfire along the Turkish border, yesterday. But now ~~it~~ explains - that it was a clash with smugglers. Syrian border guards - intercepting a group of Turkish tobacco smugglers. Two of whom were captured - five escaping.

## FRANCE

There was a pitched battle at the French Atlantic port of St. Nazaire, today. Six thousand strikers - in a fracas with two thousand police. One life lost - a hundred to a hundred and fifty injured.

The trouble came in advance of a nationwide strike - a twenty-four hour demonstration. Unions demanding - higher wages. The twenty-four hour walkout - called for tomorrow.

All of which is more <sup>bedevilment -</sup> ~~bedeviled~~ - in the French political crisis. France without a government, now - for the twenty-fifth day.

GUATEMALA

In Guatemala - a military dictatorship. The Guatemalan army - taking control of the government of that Central American republic. Early this morning, they tossed out the government of President Gonzales, and installed a three-man junta - consisting of three colonels.

This results from a presidential election, in which the government candidate won out - ~~PRESIDENT Gonzales won the election in office~~ - at least, according to the ~~official~~ official figures. But the opposition charged - election fraud. Resulting in popular disturbances - with mobs rampaging in Guatemala City. Last night, a threatening crowd broke up an emergency session of the Guatemala Congress. Which was followed by military action - the army ~~stepped in and~~ stepping in and assuming control of the government.

## TYPHOON

The island of Okinawa - waiting for the big wind.  
The native population and fifty thousand American  
soldiers - taking all precautions, as Typhoon "Judy"  
roars in.

The tropical storm - one of the most violent,  
blowing steadily at one hundred and fifty miles an hour  
- with gusts up to two hundred!

Less than a month ago, the island was raked by  
Typhoon "Faye". Which killed - forty-six people. Now -  
another blast from the storm gods of the Pacific.



## NOBEL PRIZE

Last night, the prediction was - that the Nobel Prize for Medicine would go to a Swiss-Italian scientist, Professor Daniel Bovet. And, today, the prognostication was verified.

The new Nobel Prize winner for medicine has an interesting history — born in Switzerland - then transferring to Paris, where he became a laboratory head at the Pasteur Institute. There Dr. Bovet met a student - Senorina Nitti, daughter of the former Italian Premier, Nitti. They were married, and continued medical research together.

Having married an Italian wife, the Swiss physician moved on - to Rome. Where he became the Director of Chemistry at the Italian Health Institute.

The Doctor - a prodigious author. Having written - some two hundred and fifty books on medical science. Winning the Nobel Prize - because of his work on anti-histamines. And - in making medical use of curare, the arrow poison of South American Indians.

HOFFA

( A federal judge today rejected a plea - made by James Hoffa, President-elect of the Teamsters Union - Hoffa asking - for a long delay before he's put on trial for perjury and a charge of illegal wire-tapping. Arguing - that he's been attacked in the news to such a degree that he won't get a fair and impartial jury.

Federal Judge William Herlands replied - there's nothing to show that Hoffa won't be a controversial figure in the future. Still - attacked in the news. Leaving - no reason to delay the trial on the two charges.

( Another federal court has issued an order - restraining Hoffa from assuming his post as President of the country's largest Union. He sure is having trouble - with the courts. )

TEAMSTERS

The Teamsters Union made an eleventh hour appeal to the AFL-CIO, today. Asking - for a year of grace. That much time - to rid itself of allegedly corrupt influences.

In Washington, the ~~ix~~ Executive Committee of the AFL-CIO seems ready to suspend the Teamsters Union. And recommend - expulsion. The Teamster officials argue that it's the custom to grant accused unions ninety days of grace before taking action. The Teamsters Union so ~~it~~ <sup>huge-it</sup> would need a year.

~~There is a report that the A F L - C I O Council has already suspended the teamsters union.~~

The Teamster ~~and~~ appeal was in vain. A F of L - C I O Council taking a vote -- and expelling the giant union. The vote - twenty five to four. The Teamsters Union expelled from the A F of L - C I O -- because of its failure to oust <sup>it's</sup> ~~Hoffa~~/President Elect James Hoffa , and other officials accused of corruption.

CROSBY

Bing Crosby - got married, today - leading a Texas beauty to the altar - at Las Vegas, Nevada.

Bing - fifty-three year old widower. His bride - a twenty-three year old actress, Kathy Grant. A year younger - than Bing's oldest son, Gary. Kathy was a mighty little girl when Bing Crosby rose to fame as a crooner.

Well, there's nothing like staying young - is there, Bing?

## ROBBERY

At Fort Meade, Florida - the air age is really looming! But - in a flagrant way. A bank robbery - by airborne bandits.

Two robbers, in a stolen light plane, landing in a pasture near the town. They kidnapped the Deputy Sheriff, took his automobile and forced him to accompany them into the local bank. Which they held up - swiping twenty-six thousand dollars.

In the get-away, they drove off in the Deputy Sheriff's car - back to their small plane parked in the pasture, hopped into the cockpit - and took off. A policeman, firing pistol shots in vain - at the speeding aircraft.

No use - putting the bloodhounds on the trail of those bandits!

## PEACH LEAVES

At Milton, Vermont, Arthur Cota sent a letter to the town fathers, in Atlanta, Georgia. Requesting - a shipment of leaves from Georgia peach trees. Georgia being famous - for peaches. But what does Arthur Cota want - with all those leaves?

Well, he has a bald head - and <sup>cites</sup> ~~cites~~ an old remedy for baldness. Which reads: "Take a large handful of peach tree leaves, and you'll soon see new hair coming."

In Atlanta, City Clerk Joe Richardson is forwarding - a batch of peach leaves. So, no doubt, baldy will soon be called - curley locks.

ACTRESS

At Milan, Italy, American Movie Actress Jayne Mansfield was mobbed. ~~You may~~ <sup>we often</sup> hear the word "mobbed" used as a figure of speech - ~~or something~~ <sup>describing</sup> an enthusiastic ovation for somebody ~~sex~~. But Italian crowds can be temperamental and exciteable - and here's what happened, in Milan, to Jayne Mansfield. <sup>P</sup> A film of hers was opening at a cinema, and she came for a personal appearance. A crowd of three thousand young movie fans jammed around her - cheering, shouting, grabbing hold of her. She never would have reached the door of the movie theatre, if the police hadn't cleared a way - plowing through the mob in jeeps.

But that wasn't the half of it. In the melee, Jayne Mansfield lost her shoes. Snatched from her ~~by~~ enthusiastic fans - for souvenirs. She also lost - a diamond studded garter. Worth a thousand bucks - they say. - The garter - quite a souvenir for a movie fan to get from his favorite actress.

So, when she finally reached the stage in the cinema - Jayne Mansfield was in her stocking feet. And nothing - to hold one stocking up.

Uh, LA LA!, Joe!

## PIGEONS

Haddonfield, New Jersey, has a bank, long plagued by pigeons. The birds - flocking on the roof, cornices and windowsills. Somebody came up with a way to chase the pigeons, and bank tried it - rubber mice! Fourteen dozen of them - installed every place a pigeon might perch. The theory being - that pigeons are afraid of mice. Because the rodents - eat pigeon eggs.

Well, the rubber mice did the trick. The swarms of pigeons - flying away from the bank. However, an observer makes the following report: "Last we saw," says he, "the pigeons were flying to the Presbyterian Church."

Now, for L.T. - So Long Until Tomorrow!