

SUBMARINE

L.T.-Alds. Tues. May 10th - '60.

A new Magellan - Captain Edward Beach, of Palo Alto, California, skipper - of the atomic submarine, Triton, which, today, completed a voyage that included - the first under-water circumnavigation of the globe. The undersea craft, submerged, - as it followed, closely, the course that Magellan took more than four hundred years ago.

At the White House, today, President Eisenhower pinned the Legion of Merit on Captain Beach, an old friend - incidentally. The Captain - having served for a while as President Eisenhower's naval aide at the White House. The submarine veteran - also a distinguished author, who, several years ago, turned out a bestselling novel of the undersea, "Run Silent, Run Deep."

The Triton, the largest of submarines, began its voyage - February Sixteenth. Proceeding - to St. Paul's Rocks - off the eastern tip of Brazil. That point - considered the official beginning of the circumnavigation.

The sub - then steering south, along the coast of

South America. Off the coast of Uruguay - a predicament.

A petty officer - stricken with a painful illness. So the Triton came to the surface - where the patient was taken off by helicopter. The only time the submarine surfaced - in the course of the under-water circumnavigation.

The course - around Cape Horn, and across the Pacific. Passing near the Philippines, near Magellan Bay - where the first ~~circumnavigator~~ circumnavigator was killed. Then - across the Indian Ocean, and around Cape of Good Hope, back to St. Paul's Rocks - off Brazil.

After which the Triton, still submerged - made a pilgrimage, crossing the Atlantic - to Cadiz. The port - from which Magellan sailed under the Spanish flag, in Fifteen Nineteen. There the atomic sub came to the surface - in a ceremony of homage to Magellan.

Finally, back to the coast of the United States. The whole submerged voyage - taking 83½ days. The Triton ~~surfaced~~ - twelve miles off Delaware, where Captain Beach was taken off by helicopter, and flown to the White House, to

receive - presidential honors.

A great exploit, and a boost for American prestige/.

Performed by the submarine ^{and} ~~the~~ the crew. Commanded - by the
undersea Magellan.

In Congress, today -- an insistent opinion that the American reconnaissance plane was not shot down by a Russian rocket, but was captured, undamaged -- after it came down for some accidental reason. Khrushchev -- giving a false account, which he tries to prove -- by bringing forward some undetermined wreckage.

This is an opinion given -- by Congressman Cannon of Missouri -- and Senator Dirksen of Illinois, who -- sat in on the White House discussion of the incident. One point being -- that Khrushchev must be worried about the amount of information obtained by American observation planes.

Today, the State Department made a declaration -- that we will stand by our Allies -- in the face of Khrushchev's threats. That the Soviets might bomb air bases in Allied countries -- from which American surveillance planes have been flying. But, on the

other hand, with all his bluster, the Soviet Premier is taking a mild, peaceful tone about the Summit Conference, beginning on Monday. Assuring the Western powers -- that this latest uproar should not impede the talks among the Chiefs of State.

PLANE-EXHIBITION

The circus that Khrushchchev is making of that aerial espionage affair -- was indicated by preparations in Moscow, today, to put the wreckage of the jet observation plane, the U-2 ^(or what passes for it) -- on exhibition in a Moscow park. Inside a large hall -- one of the best-known places in Moscow. There, today, a broken wing of the plane, together with items of equipment -- was taken, to be put on display for the public -- tomorrow.

Inside ~~the~~ the exhibition hall, the walls are decorated with figures of the game of Chess -- King, Knight, Rook. In fact, the place is named -- Chess Hall. Where, only recently, the ~~xxx~~ match for the championship of the world was played. ~~Qx~~ Crowning a new Chess champ -- the ^{Latvian,} ~~Ruthenian,~~ Tal.

Seems like an appropriate place -- for Khrushchchev's propaganda show. Suggesting -- that, in this aerial espionage uproar, he's playing a game.

PLANE - PILOT

Soviet Russia - to put Pilot Francis Powers on trial. That's the word - following the receipt of a Moscow note, in Washington today. A protest - against that reconnaissance flight, which ended so badly.

But, actually, the Soviet communication does not use the word "trial." Stating that Powers, in the words of the note - "will be brought to account." Which would seem to mean - legal prosecution, on a charge - of espionage.

However, a Moscow dispatch might raise a doubt about what it all means. Foreign observers pointing out - that, in a matter of espionage, Soviet law is decidedly flexible. Moscow opinion being - that the case might be settled without any formal trial.

Soviet officials have promised American diplomatic representatives - that they may soon have a chance to talk to Pilot Francis Powers, who is quoted by Communist

newspapers as declaring - that he took the reconnaissance
assignment because it paid so well.

Wanting - to buy some property and build a home
for his family.

LOUISIANA

The State of Louisiana, today -- ended one of the wierdest episodes in American political history. The Governor ^(ship) -- of Earl Long. Whose antics, in mental institutions and out -- made bizarre headlines. ~~xxxxxxx~~
~~xxxxxxx~~ A new Governor -- sworn in at Baton Rouge, today. Jimmy Davis, ~~xxxx~~ the hill-billy singer -- who, himself, is no conventional, prosy character.

Retiring Governor Earl Long attended the inauguration, and was -- in jovial mood. Waving -- a fistful of bandana-handkerchiefs, red, white and blue.

But his genial gaiety -- didn't last long. He went to his residence, across the street from the Capitol -- and sat down in a rocking chair on the front ^{porch.} ~~xxxx~~
A news reporter -- following him, intending -- to ask for an interview. Whereupon the retiring Governor jumped at him, and swung a punch at his jaw. Knocking the newsman--

against the railing of the porch.

"Get out of here," he yelled - and screamed wild curses.

The reporter departing - followed by a stream of blazing language.

Anyway, Louisiana now has a Governor, Dick, who sings hillbilly songs. A little more melodious, perhaps? •

MAGICIAN

At the Sicilian town of Catania, Giuseppe Barbieri cannot walk through a closed door. ~~In fact, Giuseppe has bumps on his head for trying.~~

^ Yet he paid all of sixty-five dollars - to learn how. Taking lessons - from a local magician, who taught him words of witchcraft - and miracle medicine. Which would enable him - to walk right through any door, no matter - how well it was locked.

Giuseppe tried it repeatedly - at a chapel in a cemetery. Trying to walk - through a massive door. But, each time - bang! He'd collide with the door - to no effect. Whereupon a mysterious voice inside would say - he didn't use the magical formula correctly.

Finally, Giuseppe became suspicious - notifying the police, who found that the mysterious voice - was produced by a confederate of the magician.

Giuseppe deciding - that hereafter he'll open a door, before - trying to walk through.