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when the Weather Bureau reports rain - lots of rain that's
the public generally doesn't like it. Well, that's
tonight - from Texas to Tennessee. And the reaction is - loud
cheers. Because this breaks one of the worst droughts we've
had since the 'Thirties. The Dust-bowl.

Here are some instances - of what this deluge is doing.

Fort Worth, Texas - four inches of rain. Dyersburg, Tennessee
two inches. Oklahoma City - an inch and one-half. An inch

reported f from many states.

More than enough at Fort Worth - where Big Fossil Creek
is over its banks in a flash flood. Twenty-five families evacuated. But for the farmers of Texas - and the other states
that are dripping tonight - the rain is what they've been
praying for. The one thing that could save - what's left of
the harvest.

President Johnson again talking about economy; the need to cut down - on federal expenditures; or at least not let them expand - as fast as the national economy.

Part of this frugality in the headlines tonight concerns the shutting down of those military and naval installations.

But the President wants to do - more than that, and admits he'll have to if the budget is to be kept below - the hundred billion dollar level.

Such is the substance of Mr. Johnson's address - to the Committee for Economic Development. The first major address - since L.B.J. rode that landslide back into the White House.

INSTALLATIONS

The installations that have been or are to be closed by the Secretary of Defense - include some of the most famous in America.

Such as The Springfield Armory - in Massachusetts.

The Portsmouth Naval Shipyard - in New Hampshire; the

Brooklyn Navy Yard - in New York, Hunter Air Force Base
at Savannah, Georgia, Orlando Air Force Base - in Florida,

Schilling Air Force Base - at Salina, Kansas, and Norton Air

Base - San Bernardino County, California, And so on and so on.

The list covers ninety-five installations - that are no longer worth the cost to the Federal Government. A major tightening up of expenses and facilities right across the country.

"There is no point in paying for the superfluous" says Secretary McNamara.

There is a sense of shock - in Brooklyn tonight.

The Navy Yard has been a fixture in New York's colorful borough for so many years. The source of a livelihood - for so many
employees. Ten thousand - to be exact.

Moreover, the action by the Defense Department came as a surprise. Congressman Celler speaks of - "the
summary way it was done." Senator-elect Kennedy asserts "The burden is on those advocating this drastic step." And
adds - that he wants to see the data that went into the decision.

But Secretary McNamara has already said - that much thought went into the judgment on every installation. So this seems to be the end of the trail - for the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

That controversy between J. Edgar Hoover and Martin Luther King - some observers in Washington are calling it "inevitable." They think the head of the F.B.I. was bound to resent the criticism of his department - by the civil rights leader. King, impugning the activity of the F.B.I. - in civil rights cases. To which Hoover replies that the F.B.I. does not always get the cooperation it wants - from local authorities. Or - from King's own civil rights organization.

Most Negro leaders are rallying to the side of Martin Luther King. Some of them expressing reservations

about - a few of the charges. But generally agreeing - that
the effectives of Kingle care are correct.

President Johnson at the White House. The President is maintaining - a strict "no comment" attitude.

The Congo is one part of the world - where the roundabout way is often the shortest. As in the case of that communication between Leopoldville - and Stanleyville.

Subject - the Americans trapped behind the rebel lines. The rebel leader, Christophe Gbenye - wants to negotiate with our Congo Embassy. But due to all the fighting - he has no direct communication with the Congolese capital. So he sent his proposal - to Kenya, from where Prime Minister Jomo Kenyatta relayed it - to Leopoldville.

Back came an American acceptance - by the same route.

Ambassador Godley willing to negotiate concerning the prisoners,

and suggesting as the place for the negotiators to meet
Nairobi in Kenya.

To see just how roundabout this route is, take a look at your atlas - those three cities of Africa, Leopoldville, Stanleyville - and Nairobi. But an even greater distance - may be involved. Radio Stanleyville, reporting that the rebel

leader would like to do his negotiating - in Washington.

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The newest convulsion in the Cuban government - reflects an old antagonism. The feud between Castro's amateur Reds - and the hard bitten veterans of the island's Communist Party.

The feud that came out in the open two years ago - when the bearded Dictator gave the boot to some of the Kremlin's most faithful Cuban henchmen.

Now, the same type of Comrade - gets the same kind of treatment. Joaquin Ordoqui, stripped of all his government jobs - despite his long record with the Communist Party.

Despite his prominence in Cuba - since the Castro revolution.

The charge - not revealed. But the circumstances of this case indicate - that the feud is still simmering. Old guard Reds, believing that they could run the island better than the incompetent amateur - who likes to talk so much. Forgetting that if Castro has no head for ideology or economics - he knows something about conspiracy. And how to get rid of conspirators - before they become dangerous. Conspirators like - Joaquin

Now, for the "insect" - that can "pick up an eggshell." Habitat - the waters off Vancouver. Where the first known individual of the species - is being exhibited to the public.

Picture two steel spheres joined by - a thick layer of fiberglass. In one of the spheres - an electic motor.

In the other - complicated instruments. On the outside - two hydraulic arms.

"The Pisces does indeed look like - a fantastic insect. Actually, it is - a submarine that moves by remote control. The principle, the same as that involved in - drone aircraft. Except that this automated machine - will dive into the depths of the sea. Its camera, taking a "look" at the ocean floor. Its hydraulic arms ready to - "pick up an eggshell."

"The Pisces" Latin for "The Fish" - ready to swim among the fish. On dives considered too risky - for manmed submarines.

BANK ROBBERY

The law of diminishing returns appears to have hit the business of - robbing banks. The business itself - is livelier than ever. But the proceeds - are smaller.

So stated by the American Bankers Association in a report for the first half of this year. The report puts
the number of successful bank robberies throughout the United
States - at two hundred and ninety-six. An increase of
sixty - compared with a year ago.

How much did the hold-up men make -- out of their profession? One million - six hundred and five thousand dollars. An increase of twenty-five thousand - compared with a year ago.

In other words - the average has fallen. Most jobs - worth less. The typical bank robber - not as affluent as he used to be.