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*Good Evening Everybody:*

*On the banks of the sacred river Jumna, near New Delhi - the age-old funeral rites of Hindustan. The rites of remation that go back - thousands of years. Back to the time when most of humanity was choosing between fire and earth, cremation - and burial. The Hindus of the great Subcontinent - chose cremation.*

*Much history was summarized - by the obsequies for Jawaharlal Nehru. Hindu priests, chanting the litany for the dead - as the body of the late Prime Minister was carried to its funeral pyre. The mortal remains of Nehru, clad in the long white coat - the sherwani - of Hindustan. Pinned to it - a single red rose. Around his neck - a garland of jasmine.*

*The fire was ignited by one of Nehru's grandsons. And a crowd of one-hundred-thousand pressed*

close to the pyre - as the flames roared through the banks of Sandalwood, creating a heat so intense - with the temperature at one-hundred degrees to begin with - that many mourners were overcome. And there were some - fatalities.

The end of the funeral ceremony - the scattering of the ashes on the Jumna River. The waters of the Jumna - the final resting place of Jawaharlal Nehru.

## MEETING

*The American representative at the funeral will go from New Delhi to Bangkok. And then - on to Honolulu. Secretary of State Rusk, to preside over a meeting - of the top Americans in Southeast Asia.*

*Plus Cabot Lodge, Secretary McNamara, General Maxwell Taylor - and Presidential Envoy William Bundy.*

*You can judge the importance from Bundy's case. He was supposed to stay in London - for talks with British officials. Then came the order from President Johnson, and Bundy was off for Hawaii - from the opposite side of the world.*

## FORMOSA

*The announcement that American economic aid to Formosa will be discontinued after the next fiscal year - is no slap at the Nationalist Chinese. It's a recognition that Chiang Kai Shek is running - a solvent regime. Formosa's economic growth - so spectacular - that the Island can support itself. Private enterprise bringing prosperity to the Far Pacific.*

*American military aid to Formosa - will continue, perhaps in a more spectacular way - judging from Chiang Kai Shek's tour of the Off-Shore Islands. The gossip around Tai Peh has it - that this will be the year of big commando raids on the mainland.*

## CONGO

Now a follow-up to last night's story of - the Marxist witch-doctors of the Congo. We heard how the medicine men were stirring up the tribesmen on the shores of Lake Tanganyika. Shouting Communist slogans - to the beating of the tom-toms, and instigating the warriors to attack villages in the bush - with bows and arrows.

The rampaging Congolese have captures the city - of Albertville. And tonight are driving - on Baudouinville. Jungle metropolis - of northern Katanga Province. The witch doctors, acting as - well - could we call them "chaplains?" The "clergy" of a weird "religion" - that combines the age-old superstitions of Africa with the propaganda of modern Communism.

In the 19th century, there was a familiar figure in Africa - the white man with a rifle in one hand and a Bible in the other. Now, in a few areas

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*it's the witch doctor - with a spear in one hand, and  
the "Communist Manifesto" in the other.*

JOHNSON

*At Madison Square Garden today the President devoted his speech to the theme of - "The Great Society". The America of the future - which the President tells us he is trying to turn into a reality. An America - without poverty or prejudice - the Utopia all men strive for.*

*The Johnson trip to New York - strictly political. To raise funds - for a war chest to meet the expenses - of the coming campaign.*

PRIMARY

Senator Goldwater was talking today about fair play. The Arizona with the G.O.P. primary only five days away, lambasting what he terms - a Rockefeller-Lodge coalition. Charging that the coalition is violating - "the spirit of fair play." Will votes be switched from one candidate to the other - without voters having anything to say about it?

The New York governor flatly denies there is a Rockefeller-Lodge coalition, and says he represents nobody - but himself in the present campaign to capture the Republican nomination.



## SPACE

America's latest satellite - is the heaviest ever put into orbit. The Apollo Moonship - weighing more than thirty-seven-thousand pounds. It rode into space on the most powerful rocket - ever launched.

The Saturn-One, roaring up from Cape Kennedy - with a rocket thrust of one and one-half million pounds.

The flight took - ten minutes. Each stage - functioning perfectly, until the moonship broke away - and entered its orbit one-hundred miles above the surface of the earth. The sixth straight success - for Saturn-One, the rocket due to become - the workhorse of our Apollo program, the one to send a capsule with two astronauts - to the Moon.

## HOLIDAY

*With the Memorial Day weekend coming along, and eighty-million cars on our highways, what will be the tragic toll? The National Safety Council predicts that four-hundred and ninety may die in traffic accidents by Monday.*

*As for Memorial Day itself - we have two more great Americans to remember this year.*

*President John F. Kennedy and General Douglas*

*MacArthur. And the "Thresher Bells" will be rung -*

*for the first time. The bells in the chapel at the*

*chipyard - in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, commemorat-*

*ing the one-hundred and twenty-nine men lost - when the*

*nuclear sub "Thresher" sank in the Atlantic last year.*

## SAILOR

*If you want to do a back flip - you'd better not do it on the deck of an aircraft carrier in a stormy sea. Unless you want to be court martialed - and spend some time in the brig.*

*Evidence - Dave Sadinsky of Duquesne, Pennsylvania. Dave was a sailor - aboard the carrier Intrepid. During a run through a rough sea - he bet his buddies that he would do a back flip over the side. And - he won his bet.*

*A destroyer fished him - out of the water. And he was returned to the carrier - that is, to the brig. A court martial sentenced him - to five months.*

*A review board revised the conviction, saying there's nothing in Naval regulations - forbidding back flips from a carrier..*

*But an appeals board says Dave Sadinsky's gymnastics feat comes under the heading of - "disorders prejudicial to discipline."*