

SUMMIT

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Tonight, Washington ~~is buzzing louder than ever~~ ^{there is more and more talk}

about a possible summit conference. ~~A face-to-face meeting between Kennedy and Khrushchev. The idea that is said to have been under discussion behind the scenes for some time.~~

~~Up~~ ^{there is} On Capitol Hill a general support for the idea, especially - among Democrats, ~~Especially~~ ^{and} among members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Senators Humphrey of Minnesota, Sparkman of Alabama, and Morse of Oregon -- all told newsmen they're strongly in favor of ~~it~~ ^{it}. ~~Big two get together.~~

Not that there's any great optimism -- about Khrushchev suddenly becoming conciliatory. But the belief is that President Kennedy could achieve - at least one thing. Show the boss of the Kremlin that we mean business -- when we say that we'll protect the interests of the free world. Besides - there's the effect such a meeting would have on other nations. Today Senator Sparkman spoke for his

colleagues when he noted - "we should show the world that we are willing to try for a settlement, even with Khrushchev."

GENEVA

The opening of the Geneva conference tomorrow - means that it will be only four days late. Some ^{doubted} ~~said~~ *it would ever get under way,* ~~thought - it might never start.~~ ~~That Soviet intransigence.~~ But co-sponsors Britain and Russia ^{now it's all set for} announce tomorrow, ~~definitely~~ ^{that} Gromyko and Lord Home, adding ^{that} it will be confined to the international aspects of the Laotian problem. Leave local politics - to the local groups in Laos.

~~angry~~
The anglo-Russian announcement came -- shortly after Secretary of State Rusk accepted the advice of Britain and France. Secretary Rusk, saying- we'll accept a seat for the Red rebel delegation from Laos. ~~That~~ ^{an} American concession - to get the conference under way.

JOHNSON

From Formosa comes an optimistic report - following a visit by the Vice President Lyndon Johnson. Chiang Kai Shek has been worried for some time - about future American support. Lyndon Johnson told the Generalissimo not to worry - because America regards Formosa as a key bastion of the free world; with loss of the island to Red China - a disaster, we are determined to prevent.

A joint communique tell how the Chinese - on the mainland are now going through another famine - also becoming - more restive. Is an anti-Red revolt possible in China? Vice President Johnson today heard experts on Asian affairs say "probably, yes." But in Hong King - they doubt it.

KOREA

The revolution in South Korea is ^{called} a military
coup. The armed forces ^{re}rebell^{ing} - against Premier
John Chang, ~~Calling~~ Chang and his colleagues - corrupt
politicians, ~~Ousting~~ them - in favor of a military junta,
~~Which~~ calls itself "anti-Communist" and reaffirms ^{the} South
Korean alliance with the United States.

One surprising thing - the speed of the coup.
Shooting ~~■~~ broke out in Seoul, and only an hour or two
later the rebels announced their victory. The new strong
man of South Korea - General Chang Do Yung.

MAU MAU

In Kenya, "Operation Tight Squeeze" is under way tonight. Four hundred soldiers and police, combing the Rift Valley - in a methodical search for African terrorists. The natives who murdered - two white women, outside Nairobi.

The reason for so massive a reaction to the crimes - Kenya is Mau Mau country. Only a decade ago, Mau Mau were on raids up and down the great Rift Valley; killing hundreds in ritual murders. The victims - white and black - mostly black. It took the British years and a military campaign to put an end to the terrorism. In Nairobi, the fear now is that it's breaking out again. Hence "Operation Tight Squeeze" - the military on the move again, through the jungle, in search of the Mau Mau.

INTEGRATION

The people calling themselves "freedom riders" ~~will~~ say they will keep on riding; down into Dixie - with New Orleans their final stop. Not to be intimidated - by the violence they've run into in Alabama; tires - slashed; a fire-bomb thrown into one vehicle. They were pulled out and beaten by a segregationist mob, with the police, under criticism tonight - for allowing it to happen.

At any rate they voted unanimously to continue their pilgrimage. White and negro demonstrators, touring the south - defying segregation laws.

EISENHOWER

West Point putting on a display for one of its most illustrious graduates. The military academy welcoming like Eisenhower of the class of 1915. "The class the stars fell on." So many becoming Generals.

General Eisenhower, as we know, likes to return to "the plains" on the banks of the Hudson. This time for a special reason. Our former President is this year's winner of - "The Sylvanus Thayer Award", named - after the famous commandant of the Academy and presented - by the West Point Associate of Graduates. Offered - for devotion to "duty, honor, country."

Previous winners - John Foster Dulles, Henry Cabot Lodge, atomic scientist Ernest Lawrence. Now the "Sylvanus Thayer Award" - to General Eisenhower.

CLOCKS

The Navy has received two new clocks, said to be unique. The first atomic clocks. Filled with the metal cesium that is vaporized cesium. The atoms in the cesium vapor - setting up radio frequencies ~~XXXXXXXX~~ that have a fantastically regular pattern of beats.

Each clock adjusts its hands - to these beats - to produce the highest accuracy in the history of clocks. That is, they lose less than one second - in fifteen hundred years. That's the mathematics of it.

What to be used for? To give our nuclear submarines time pieces accurate enough - to make resetting unnecessary. Also plotting the course of a missile; to a degree - never before achieved. There is also a point of pure science. The experts say, with these clocks they can now test - Einstein's theory of relativity. Einstein held that time is affected by gravity. Slowed down - by the pull of a gravitational

field. But the slow-down is so small - that no one has ever been able to check it. Now it is believed this could be determined once and for all by putting an atomic clock into an artificial satellite.

I don't understand now. But I also don't understand the Einstein theory.

ROCKET

The Navy version of a rocket to the moon - appears to be a success. At least - the model works. A miniature prototype - with only three thousand pounds of thrust in its motor. ~~Important~~ ~~HERE~~ ^{We are told this is important} because it shows that the theory of a rocket to the moon is correct.

The problem - how to make a "soft landing" by reversing the rocket power. Letting ^{it} ~~the machine~~ come down ~~very~~ slowly - instead of hitting with a thump. Which ^{will} ~~mean~~ ^{mean an easy, gentle landing on} the moon. ~~would be simply a switch~~ ~~The rocket, burying~~ ~~itself and its astronauts in the deep dust of the lunar~~ ~~craters.~~

The Navy model looks like - a stool with four legs. The legs - pointing downward, as the rocket lands. Today it rose, hovered - and made the "soft landing" that is required for men to land on the moon, and make it back to the earth.

MOUNTAINEERS

The conqueror of Mt. Everest - is definitely not through with mountaineering. So we hear from Nepal. All this concerns Sir Edmund Hillary - who was knocked out by a stroke, while climbing. The stroke is termed "mild;" with Hillary helped down the mountain to a lower altitude in Nepal, where he now says he'll be ready for another assault - on the Himalayas. Hillary, telling his Sherpa guides "I won over Everest, and I'll win out over this."

And here's another example - of the mountaineering spirit. American Norman Dyhrenfurth announces that he's after a grand slam in the Himalayas. Leading an expedition that will try to conquer - three particular mountains. First - Mr. Everest. Then - Lhotse. Then - Nuptse. Three titans - close to one another. Forming what mountain climbers call - the grand slam of the Himalayas.

Actually - Everest would be an achievement in

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itself. This is the first all-American team - to tackle the world's highest mountain and two others - Dick - Everest, Lhotse and Nuptse.