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President Eisenhower flies to the flood area,
tonight. The President leaving Denver at ^{10 o'clock} ~~midnight~~, Eastern
~~Mountain~~ ~~Standard~~ Time. So it will be morning when his plane passes
over devastated sections of Pennsylvania, New York and
New England. At eight thirty he'll be in Hartford - where
he has invited the Governors of the flood stricken states to
meet him. Or - send representatives.

The President wants to inspect the havoc left by
the deluge, and make sure that the Red Cross is getting proper
cooperation. In its huge task of - flood relief.

FLOODS

In the flood areas - an enormous task of cleaning up and digging out. The mournful part - the search for the bodies of missing people. Two hundred and two are known to have lost their lives, and scores of others - vanished. They^e are being found, as was illustrated by scenes at Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, today. Bodies of the victims - being identified. Including those who perished in the worst misfortune of all - the destruction of Camp Davis in the Poconos.

Then there are the homeless. The Red Cross announces that more than thirty-four thousand families have been driven from their dwellings by the deluge. At Waterbury, Connecticut, alone, the homeless number two-thousand,-five-hundred.

The industrial damage - a public disaster in many places. Putnam, Connecticut, depended for a livelihood - largely on a button plant, a textile mill and a magnesium plant. All three - washed away. In Torrington, Connecticut, seventy-five per cent of the factories were damaged -- beyond repair. They'll have to be rebuilt.

So there are tens of thousands of ~~the~~^{the} jobless, as well as ~~the~~^{the} homeless;-- victims of the flood.

On the bright side - the way people are pitching in to help. Neighbors - gathering to cook communal meals and outdoor barbecues, because ~~the~~ stoves are unusable. In Connecticut, a gala wedding scheduled - with a wedding feast. Today the couple got married all right - but the loads of good food prepared for the reception ~~were~~^{were} sent to flood refugees instead.

At Torrington^{ing}, one home has taken in thirteen refugees of the flood. All - the house can hold.

As for the larger work of mercy, there's the RedCross - on the job as usual. And - in need of more funds, to help the stricken.

NORTH AFRICA

The French are striking back fiercely - in revolting North Africa. Which is not surprising - considering what happened over the weekend.

Two years ago, Saturday - the French sent the Sultan of Morocco, Sidi Mohammed Ben Youssef, into exile. Because - he supported the Nationalists. Replacing him - with a Sultan who is pro-French. That anniversary was expected to be the occasion for trouble - and it was. There were savage uprisings in both Morocco and Algeria. More than a thousand lives lost, it is feared. Atrocious horror - at the Moroccan town of Oued Zem, where eight hundred Europeans lived. Rebel tribesmen stormed in, and perpetrated a general massacre - murdering and mutilating the Europeans, in ghastly scenes. So today the French armies destroyed nine rebel villages, in systematic reprisal. Parties of troops ousting the tribal people - and putting their towns to the torch.

One indirect victim over the weekend was the French commander in Morocco, General Raymond Duval - who was ~~XXXXX~~ killed in an air crash, while flying to direct military activity

SUDAN

The government of the Sudan is rushing soldiers -
to crush mutiny and rebellion. An airlift - carrying troops and
munitions. The center of the disturbance is called -
Equatoria. Which tells the geographical story - southern
Sudan, ^{way} down near the Equator. Reminding us - that the new
Sudanese nation is an immense territory, with two very
different regions.

In the north, desert country - eastern ^{end} ~~part~~ of the
Sahara. The people - Moslems. And they ^are the dominating
factor. The south, Equatoria, is jungle country - with
primitive, pagan tribes. Who - are now in revolt.

The trouble began when ^a ~~the~~ southern unit of the
Sudanese army mutineed - and joined the tribes in insurrection.
Now - holding out in jungles and mountains on the border of
British Uganda. The Sudanese government claims to have evidence
that the southern insurgents have made an appeal to the
British - for help.

^{at any rate} ~~Some~~ a civil war is on - in that remote ^{section of Africa} ~~region~~,
the Equatorial belt of Sudan.

PALESTINE

Another clash at the Gaza strip, with each side blaming the other. Cairo says an Egyptian officer and two soldiers were killed - when an Israeli motorized patrol attacked an Egyptian outpost, east of Gaza. The assault - supported by a barrage of mortar shells fired from Israeli settlements near the border. The fight - ~~xx~~ started by the Israelis, who fired first. The Egyptians - then shooting back.

Tel Aviv announces that the Egyptian outpost began shooting. Israeli soldiers - replying with an attack that captured ^{it.} ~~the outpost~~
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The North Korean Communists announce ^{that} they ^{are}

sending back that American pilot, whose trainer plane was shot down. Good news - but it's accompanied by an ugly hint. The Reds declaring - that Lieutenant Guy Bumpass has "confessed."

The U.S. Air Force announcement was that the light plane had been downed in ^{the} demilitarized zone - while on a routine training mission. But the Communists are saying - that the young Lieutenant from Jackson, Mississippi, has admitted that he was on something more than a "routine ~~mission~~" training mission." No doubt they mean - some kind of espionage.

~~Possibly, there may have been - the usual coercion.~~

~~Or there might be an explanation in the Communist announcement~~

~~that,~~ When he crashed, ~~his plane,~~ the pilot sustained a head injury. A concussion, perhaps - and he might not have been responsible for what he said. That belief is expressed by American Major General Harlan Parks, chief U.N. Delegate on the Military Armistice Commission.

All this will have to wait until tomorrow - when

Lieutenant Bumpass will be turned over to American authorities.

KOREA - DEMONSTRATION

More South Korean demonstrations against the Communist members of the Armistice Investigation Team. Same old story - but with a difference, this time. The demonstration featuring - Korean "girl friends" of G.I's. *P* Hard to see what "girl friends" would have to do with international politics. But there they were - nine truckloads of them. Sounds as if those G.I's in Korea must have learned "How to Win Friends and Influence People." Maybe they studied with Dale Carnegie. — *or read his famous book.*

Anyway, there was a big parade in Seoul, today - ending up in front of the American Embassy. No violence - just a lot of howling. With demands - that the Communist members of the Armistice Commission be expelled.

The young women in the nine trucks were dressed in Western style, and wore big straw hats. Yelling - in a shrill chorus, *T*hose "girl friends" of G.I's!

ATOMIC

At Geneva, atomic scientists went into session today, on one of the most important problems confronting the world. Trying to find a way ^{so} that "atoms for peace" cannot be used for atomic bombs. The international plan is to set up a pool of atomic materials available for all the countries. But how can you keep such atomic materials from being made into A-bombs? That is what the committee of international scientists is now trying to decide.

PRINCESS

Princess Margaret celebrated her twenty-fifth birthday yesterday. One birthday present - not so welcome, enormous amounts of publicity, speculating on whether or not Her Royal Highness will marry divorced Group Captain Peter Townsend. Which she is now free to do, if she wants to - having attained the age of twenty-five.

Reams are being published, and millions of words uttered. In all of which there seems only one item worth repeating. The Princess had her birthday party, today, at the royal residence in Scotland - Balmoral Castle. She got a lot of gifts, from a lot of people. One of whom was not - Group Captain Townsend. He did not send anything - so we are told. Which may or may not be significant.

FARM

The visit of the Soviet agricultural delegation culminates - on a family note, the Missus and the kids. The Russian farm experts were in Washington today, calling on Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Benson. Who introduced the pleasant theme of home and family.

The Secretary told the Russians - they have been "good ambassadors." And invited other Soviet people - to come and visit us over here.

Then there was an exchange of gifts. Secretary Benson presenting a tie clasp of gold and a Four-H Club emblem to Vladimir Matskevich, Russian First Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture. The Secretary also gave him - a picture of the Benson family.

Whereupon Matskevich promised to send the Secretary a picture of his own family, when he returns to Russia.

What
~~Nothing~~ could be more friendly and home-like -. ?

reverting to the old family album.

WRECK

Late news of a tragic school bus disaster.

At Spring City, Tenn., a speeding passenger train
plowed into the bus which was crowded with forty
children. ~~19x1~~ Nineteen killed, and all the others
injured. It isn't clear whether the bus stalled, ~~if~~ or
what.

SPACE

Now we hear that outer space may have - a "Miss" or "Mrs. Columbus." A woman - to pilot the first space ship, maybe.

Logical reasons are advanced by Kurt Stohling, Rocket Engineer at the Bell Aircraft Corporation, Buffalo, New York. Who points out advantages that women would have - at interplanetary travel.

They^are smaller, for one thing, take up less, *Always smaller? Well, usually! And it's* room and weigh less. *^* An important item - since rocket engineers are always trying to reduce bulk and weight, - *it's* one of their toughest problems. A woman pilot might be little over five feet, and weigh not more than a hundred pounds - and be quite efficient.

Then, womens' lungs are not so large. They consume less oxygen - also important. A space ship would have to carry its own oxygen for breathing. Less of a load if less oxygen is needed. *So, we hear there is likely to be an interplanetary "Miss" or "Mrs. Christina Columbus."*

SPACE VISITORS

Scenes of excitement - at Cecil Sutton's farm, Hopkinsville, Kentucky. Hundreds of people ^(crowding,) ~~waiting~~ today - for a glimpse of the "little green men", ~~from outer space~~.
Interplanetary visitors - ^{who} ~~having~~ dropped in at the Sutton place last night. The story is told by Farmer Sutton, his wife and children, and several relatives. Here's what they say.

At seven thirty Sunday evening, Bill Taylor, a visiting relative, went out to the well, and came back, shaking with excitement. In a nearby field, he had seen - a "space ship." Then, a "little green man" approached the house.

Farmer Sutton describing him in the following words;
"He was about three feet tall, with eyes like saucers and set about six inches apart. He had hands like claws, and was glowing all over."

The Suttons fired at him with a shotgun. He fell, and then jumped up and ran off.

All of which was followed by the arrival - of a swarm of "little green men". They ^{climbed} ~~climbed~~ into the trees

and onto the roof of the house. The Suttons and their relatives - scared green. *So much so that they* ~~With the interplanetary visitors~~ ~~all over the place, they~~ made a dash to an automobile, and drove into Hopkinsville, to call the sheriff.

Whereupon an investigation was made by Deputy Sheriff George Bapps and two state troopers. Who went to the Sutton house - but failed to find any sign of the "little green men."

So, the family and the relatives went back to the house; *and lo and behold they* ~~and~~ found - the "little green men" were still there!

The news dispatch from Kentucky ends with a significant sentence, saying:- "The police officers said there, definitely, was no one drinking at the Sutton home last night." The "little green men" were not - moonshining.

As a gentleman of the old South -
~~Southern~~ any comment
from you, Hugh?