

L.T., BUICK, FISHER. THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 1965

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Far out in space -- on and on they go. Astronauts Cooper and Conrad -- surpassing all previous space endurance records and giving the American space program -- a wide lead over Russia for the first time. In this -- their sixth day in orbit.

BRITISH

In London, a report today that the United States -- might consider "another and longer suspension" of its air raids on North Viet Nam, ~~If~~ the Communist government at Hanoi -- were to curb its military activities in South Viet Nam.

The statement -- in a government White Paper -- seen by the British as <sup>the</sup> possible starting point ~~For~~ a new peace offensive -- to get underway hopefully this fall.

VIET NAM FOLLOW BRITISH

Meanwhile, the ~~war~~ <sup>fighting</sup> goes on, <sup>on the ground and in the air.</sup> A flight of American

B-Fifty-Twos -- today smashing at Zone "D" for Death near Saigon.

The big bombers in another saturation raid -- their eleventh such mission so far in Viet Nam.

At the same time -- other American planes in a total of seventy-eight sorties -- against Communist positions in North Viet Nam. The aircraft encountering heavy anti-aircraft fire -- but no missiles -- and none lost.

DRAFT

That review of the draft -- announced by the Defense Department last week -- completed today, ~~And~~ relayed to the President -- with the following result: ~~An~~ executive order to the effect that any man who gets married after midnight tonight -- will be subject to the draft -- the same as any single man.

The President's decision -- said to have been based in part on reports of a recent marriage boom ~~Among~~ young men -- of draft age.

## DISTRICT

The nation's capital -- is it threatened with racial violence similar to that in Los Angeles -- unless it is given self-government -- and quickly? Today President Johnson seemed to indicate that at White House ceremony marking the signing -- of a new Economic Development Bill -- to pour another three-and-a-quarter-billion more ~~money~~ -- into what he calls "the war on poverty."

This the third time in three days -- the President has urged speedy Congressional approval of "home rule" -- for the District of Columbia. A measure long delayed -- in the House.

## STEEL FOLLOW DISTRICT

On another front -- the President today intervened personally -- in the deadlocked steel contract talks, with a telephone appeal -- to negotiators for both labor and management. Urging them to reach a settlement -- without a strike. Both sides replying that they would  $\ll$  do their best.

## SINGAPORE

In the Far East -- a plot to overthrow the newly-sovereign state of Singapore; turn it through armed revolution -- into a Communist satellite. That plot said to have been smashed today -- by the existing pro-Western government of Singapore.

According to government sources -- the plotters mainly Indonesian; Communist-trained -- in sabotage and terror, who infiltrated Singapore -- over the past year, bringing with them quantities -- of arms, explosives and propaganda material.

The Red terrorists -- said to be almost set; almost ready to carry out a plan of mass assassination -- to plant time bombs in public places, when police moved in -- and mopped them up.

At least twenty ringleaders -- already in custody. The rest -- in hiding or in flight.

*Suwapali*  
President Radhakrishnan of India -- in a surprise visit today to strife-torn Kashmir. There declaring that the Indian Army -- will soon take the offensive against Pakistani infiltrators, who have been pecking away at Indian troops -- for the last two weeks.

If it means crossing the official cease-fire line -- then so be it -- said the President. Adding that "in some circumstances -- an attack becomes the best form of defense."

Meantime, back in New Delhi -- Prime Minister Shastri the Indian told Parliament -- that the situation in Kashmir "is very grave" -- but not hopeless. And "I am confident" -- said Shastri -- "that we shall come out of the trial fire -- as shining steel."



HARRY BANNISTER

If you have a hammock or a rocking chair - or whatever you prefer - here's a suggestion for a book you're almost sure to enjoy. "THE EDUCATION OF A BROADCASTER". The author, Harry Bannister - a born story teller. ~~And~~ whether you are greatly interested in the world of radio and television - or not - here's a book packed with delightful stories.

One anecdote is about John Robinson - a joint-owner of the old Robinson Brothers Circus, ~~Later sold~~ - to Barnum and Bailey. It seems that John Robinson - ~~held out~~ kept <sup>^</sup> two elephants from the circus, ~~Elephants that had~~ been born in captivity - that ~~had~~ become family pets.

How would you like to have an elephant in your home?

One of these <sup>Pachyderms</sup> ~~elephants~~ <sup>^</sup> - a particular pal of Robinson's daughter as a child. ~~When~~ The little girl would run away from her nurse - get under the elephant's belly, ~~And~~ then laugh and laugh - while the elephant

trumpeted a warning to all -- to ~~safe~~ away.

Years later -- the Shrine Circus in Detroit suddenly needed elephants; remembered the two on the Robinson farm -- and borrowed them. The little girl -- now a grown woman -- hadn't seen her elephant pal in years. And she was <sup>2</sup> on hand for the Shrine opening night, that started with a grand parade featuring the usual elephant daisy chain. But the elephants were scarcely in the arena -- when one of them broke the chain and dashed madly for the Robinson daughter his trunk swinging in a huge circle.

All this caused a near panic in the auditorium. But all the elephant did -- was rub his trunk gently over the lady's face and body, making soft elephantine sounds -- that could only be construed as a fond -- "Hello".

Raconteur Harry Bannister has a delightful story on nearly every page; Warren, "THE EDUCATION OF A BROADCASTER."

## TREASURE

A government-sponsored, scientific treasure hunt -- underway today near Potenza, souther Italy; a search for treasure of immense proportions -- believed buried there around Four Hundred A.D., by the Visigoths -- first barbarians to conquer and ransack Rome.

According to legend -- King Alaric of the Visigoths -- en route home from his conquest died near Potenza -- ~~due~~ probably of malaria. His men said to have buried him near the River Basento -- Alaric and all his possessions. After which they dug a tremendous canal -- to change the course of the river -- and conceal the tomb forever.

In the centuries since -- hundreds of adventurers have sought this treasure; swimmers, divers, miners -- but none with any success; until now, <sup>2</sup> that is, the latest effort is based on government chemical tests of the soil near Potenza, tests that seem to show a spot-- where the River Basento once

flowed -- centuries ago.

Today electronic experts were probing the nearby river itself, in search of the glory -- that once was Rome. The lost treasure of Alaric -- King of the Barbarians, King of the Vizigoths.