

KHRUSHCHEV

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The decision of the Soviet Premier to stay on in Moscow for the signing of the nuclear test ban treaty - shows how closely he wants to be identified with it. The Moscow propaganda apparatus is already describing Khrushchev - as the architect of the treaty. No word about how often he rejected the same terms - when the West offered them to him. And, of course no hint in Moscow - that the split with Red China made the ~~the~~ Boss of the Kremlin change his mind.

Anyway, Khrushchev has postponed his vacation - on the Black Sea. He'll be in Moscow - for the official signing of the treaty. And he'll be in charge of the Russian side - when the wider talks begin. The exploration of more agreements that might be worked out - to lessen the tensions between East and West.

## KENNEDY

President Kennedy devoted much of today's news conference - to the nuclear test ban treaty. The President calling for wide national support of the treaty - especially on Capitol Hill. He took pains to deny that the Soviets are slipping in western recognition of East Germany. As Mr. Kennedy noted - Red China signed the Laotian accord - without committing us to a recognition of Peking.

What about Red China? The President emphasized one word - on this subject, the word - "Stalinist". He said repeatedly that the Stalinist regime of so powerful a nation is extremely menacing, that Stalinism makes Peking belligerent - where Moscow tends to be cautious.

But the Soviet threat still exists in the West, and this is why President Kennedy is much concerned about the Western Alliance. He says he still hopes we can arrange some kind of close partnership - with

De Gaulle. As for a Summit conference, he doesn't see the point of one - just now, prefers to let the diplomats work - at their level. Particularly, now that they finally came up with - the nuclear test ban agreement.

Nearer home, the President made a defense of - the alliance for progress. Not denying - that there have been some failures, he says he's confident the Alliance for Progress can produce - the peaceful revolution that Latin America needs.

Cuba? Our policy remains - not to negotiate with a Soviet satellite in the Caribbean. As for the students who violated the law to go to the island - they'll have their passports lifted, and any Reds among them - may be prosecuted.

The big domestic issue today - civil rights. He repeated that this is - a major crisis of our time, and that equality for all ought to be the concern of all Americans.

## REFUGEES

*More refugees fleeing from East Germany.*

*By land - and by sea.*

*Three more Red border guards made it to West Berlin, under the protection of - their uniforms. Their comrades, not realizing what they were up to - until it was too late. Another got through in civilian clothes - during the night - at three a.m. He was lucky in finding a Red Sentry asleep.*

*Then there was an East German sailor who jumped overboard in the Strait between Denmark and Sweden - in the rough waters of the Kattegat. He had a life belt - and floated for several hours, until a Swedish ferry picked him up.*

*And the, the navigation officer - stationed by the Reds at Wittenberg on the Elbe. This officer put his family aboard a motor boat, gave it the gun and roared across to freedom - to the other side of the Elbe.*

## REFUGEES

Still more refugees would have escaped - if their tunnel hadn't been discovered. A tunnel that might have been used - by East German soldiers. Those who did get away describe most of Ulbricht's army as fed up - completely disgusted with Communism.

Two, a man and woman, were unlucky, cut down by Red guns - as they raced toward the barbed wire. The man killed. The woman wounded, and captured.

## ARGENTINA

Argentina's number one political prisoner - is a prisoner no longer. Arturo Frondizi, President of Argentina, until a coup toppled his regime more than a year ago. Frondizi held a prisoner - until an election could be held. Now that the election is over, Frondizi a free man, is back in Buenos Aires, and out of politics he says.

His place has been taken by Arturo Illia, a moderate nationalist, who it is hoped will find a way to restore stability to the Argentine.



## WARD

*It would take a sardonic satirist - a Juvenal or a Swift - to do ~~do~~ justice to this item from London.*

*Dr. Stephen Ward - still near death from that overdose of drugs, already found guilty - by the court, but attracting much sympathy from the British public. Flowers for the stricken man kept arriving at the hospital - all day today.*

*Then the irony provided by Christine Keeler, and Mandy Rice Davies - who testified against their old friend, and who are now enjoying the notoriety the trial has brought to them. Mandy, attending the premiere of Cleopatra in the plush west end of London. Christine, preparing for a career as a movie star. Her first vehicle - the story of her own life. While Ward may live - or he may die.*

## LORDS

We've had the story about the British lords who prefer to give up their title. But what about - the ladies in the case? After all, when His Lordship becomes plain Mr. - Her Ladyship becomes plain Mrs. How about that?

Let's consider the former Lady Stansgate, who now is simply Mrs. Tony Benn. Wife of the ex-Viscount - who abandoned the House of Lords to run for a seat in the House of Commons. She says she's delighted - to be out of the aristocracy. "Out of the museum," as she puts it. In her words, "politics is more exciting than the House of Lords."

Anti-aristocratic - the former Lady Stansgate.

But then she's not as used to the British upper-crust - as most of their Ladyships. Lady Stansgate - or I should say, Mrs. Tony Benn - used to be Caroline DeCamp of

Cincinnati. Even so her comment is a bit of a surprise for an Ohio girl who married into the British nobility!



## TAX

*Do you have - two health insurance policies?*

*If so, Uncle Sam is interested. Or at least, in the excess income you may make while you are laid up.*

*That double reimbursement for medical expenses.*

*Dick, the House Ways and Means Committee voted today - to put this under the income tax. Said one congressman, (an apt comment on taxing medical' insurance) "I guess that'll make some sick as soon as they hear about it!"*

## MACARTHUR

*The new America-Philippines Society - had no problem choosing an honorary chairman. Who else - but Douglas MacArthur? What other American has half as many friends - in the Philippines? And who has played so important a role in Philippine history during the twentieth century?*

*Honorary Chairman of the America-Philippines Society, Douglas MacArthur, who said - "I shall return". And he did!*