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X-15

THE WASHINGTON ISSUE TODAY BY THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT

AND THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION WAS ACQUITTING THEMSELVES STILL
THE TEST FLIGHT OVER THE MOJAVE TODAY -- A SKILLFUL

PREPARED ^{to} A SERIES OF ATOMIC EXPLOSIONS -- AT CHRISTMAS
DISPLAY BY "AUTOPILOT", THE MECHANICAL BRAIN -- THAT CONTROLS

ISLAND. HENCE, THE ADVANCE NOTICE TO THE REST OF THE WORLD --
THE X-15. IT'S ABOUT THE SIZE OF A SUITCASE, WEIGHS NINETY-TWO

TO STAY CLEAR OF THAT PART OF THE PACIFIC. THE AMERICAN NOTICED
POUNDS -- AND IS DESIGNED TO HANDLE THE ROCKET PLANE UP AT THE

FRINGE OF SPACE, ~~TOP SPEEDS~~ ^{above the earth, at} -- A HUNDRED MILES ^{TOP SPEEDS-around}

FOUR THOUSAND MILES AN HOUR.

"AUTOPILOT" DOESN'T MEAN -- THAT THE HUMAN PILOT IS OBSOLETE .

^{test pilot} VETERAN NEIL ARMSTRONG WAS ABOARD THE X-15 -- WHEN IT DROPPED

FROM UNDER ITS MOTHER PLANE. ^{In fact} THE FLIGHT ^{was} ALMOST CALLED OFF ^{by}

WHEN THE ENGINE FAILED TO IGNITE. BUT THE SECOND TRY -- ^{okay,}

~~SUCCESS~~ THE ENGINE BURSTING INTO LIFE, WITH A ROCKET THRUST

OF FIFTY SEVEN THOUSAND POUNDS.

THE PLANE, ZOOMING UP -- MORE THAN THIRTY MILES, ^{at which point} ~~THAT'S WHERE~~

THE PILOT SAT BACK -- AND WATCHED ADMIRINGLY AS ^{the} "AUTOPILOT" PUT

THE X-15 THROUGH ITS PACES.

ATOMIC

THE WARNING ISSUED TODAY BY THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT

AND THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION WAS ROUTINE. ^{That} WE'RE STILL

PREPARING FOR A SERIES OF ATOMIC EXPLOSIONS -- AT CHRISTMAS

ISLAND. HENCE, THE ADVANCE NOTICE TO THE REST OF THE WORLD --

TO STAY CLEAR OF THAT PART OF THE PACIFIC. THE AMERICAN NOTE,

REFERRING TO "MARINERS, NAVIGATORS, AVIATORS, AND OTHERS WHO

MIGHT BE IN, OR PRONE TO USE, THE TESTING AREA."

^{The point is} THE AMERICAN POSITION REMAINS THAT THESE TESTS COULD STILL

BE CANCELLED. AND WOULD BE -- IF ONLY THE RUSSIANS WOULD

AGREE TO A GENUINE TEST BAN. SINCE THERE'S NO SIGN OF

KHRUSHCHEV BECOMING CONCILIATORY -- THE AMERICAN SERIES ^{to proceed} REMAINS

ON SCHEDULE, ^{with} AND THE CHRISTMAS AREA IS DECLARED -- DANGEROUS

TO SHIPS AND PLANES.

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today these were - "wild and whirling words." The

head of the department - more explicit. "General

THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY PUTS THE ARMS RACE IN THESE

Walker's remarks are not worthy of comment," said

WORD!-- "WE ARE LEAP-FROGGING THE RUSSIANS." SECRETARY

Dear Rusk,

ELVIS STAHR, REFERRING TO THE FACT -- THAT THE ARMED SERVICES

HAVE DEVELOPED A WHOLE NEW ARSENAL OF CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS? --

BETTER RIFLES, BETTER ARTILLERY, BETTER TANKS -- AND SO ON.

AMERICAN EQUIPMENT FOR GROUND FORCES, THE BEST IN THE WORLD --

so says

ACCORDING TO THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY.

Forced out of his European command - by a sinister

MISSILES? *He* THINKS THAT THE NIKE ANTI-MISSILE-MISSILE --

IS THE ANSWER TO ANY ROCKET THE RUSSIANS HAVE. NOT -- A COMPLETE

ANSWER, BUT ENOUGH TO OFFER SOME KIND OF SHIELD -- IN CASE OF

A ROCKET ATTACK. AND THE NIKE IS BEING IMPROVED -- ALL THE TIME.

President Eisenhower. Dear *now considered* OUR DEFENSE IN THIS ERA OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS -- ABOUT AS GOOD AS

IT COULD BE.

a "no win" policy on Communism. They in turn all point

out that the ex-General hasn't produced any evidence.

CENSORSHIP

An official of the State Department remarked today those were - "Wild and whirling words." The head of the department - more explicit. "General Walker's remarks are not worthy of comment," said Dean Rusk.

The General, as you know - has been testifying on Capitol Hill. The burden of his indictment - that he was undermined by a crypto Communist apparatus. Forced out of his European command - by a sinister conspiracy.

General Walker, lambasting a whole series - of public figures including President Kennedy, former President Eisenhower. Dean Rusk, Dean Acheson and so on down the line. The General, terming them - victims of a "no Win" policy on Communism. They in turn all point out that the ex-General hasn't produced any evidence.

CONFERENCE

THE LATEST PROPOSAL BY THE AMERICAN SPOKESMAN IN

GENEVA -- IS AN ATTEMPT TO GET THE FACTS BEFORE THE

SOVIET PEOPLE. ARTHUR DEAN, TELLING THE DELEGATES --

THAT WE WOULD LIKE A DIRECT EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH

THE SOVIET UNION. EACH SIDE, TO PRESENT ITS CASE --

TO THE PUBLIC ^{- in} OF THE OTHER ^{country,} AMERICANS, TO HEAR THE

RUSSIAN VERSION -- OF THE COLD WAR. THE RUSSIANS, TO HEAR

THE AMERICAN VERSION.

CHANCES OF KHRUSHCHEV -- ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL? ANSWER --

NIL.

IDEOLOGY

SECRETARY OF STATE RUSK IS CAUTIOUSLY OPTIMISTIC --

ABOUT THE IDEOLOGICAL SPLIT BETWEEN RUSSIA AND RED CHINA.

HE HAS NO DOUBT AT ALL -- THAT THE SPLIT IS REAL. EXAMPLES --

THE STRUGGLE FOR POWER BETWEEN KHRUSHCHEV AND MAO TSE-TUNG.

THEIR RIVALRY -- IN THE FIELD OF FOREIGN AID. AND MAO'S

RESENTMENT -- BECAUSE KHRUSHCHEV HASN'T BEEN HELPING HIM

ENOUGH. ON EIGHT MARCH OF THE YEAR. LIGHTNING -- IS THE RIGHT

WORD. THE NAPOLEONIC VICTORY AT MARATHA -- FOLLING THE VIENNA
NEVERTHELESS, SECRETARY RUSK MADE IT PLAIN TODAY -- THAT WE

ARE NOT DEPENDING ON THE FRICTION INSIDE THE RED BLOC.

OUR POLICY -- TO REMAIN ON GUARD AGAINST BOTH. ^{Tho'} RUSSIA AND

RED CHINA MAY BE FALLING OUT -- ~~AND~~ THEY HAVE A COMMON AIM.

WALL BETWEEN SWITZERLAND AND ITALY -- BLASTED AWAY BY A DYNAMITE

THAT AIM -- BURY THE WEST.

THE RUPTURE OF A TWO-WAY HIGHWAY -- THAT WILL PERMIT TRAFFIC ALL

YEAR AROUND. CARS, WEAVING UNDER THE ST. BERNARD PASS -- INSTEAD

OF OVER IT, AS IN THE DAYS OF NAPOLEON AND HIS GENERATIONS.

ALPS

THE LONDON DAILY MAIL TODAY CARRIES THIS REPORT:- "THE
IF THE GHOST OF NAPOLEON IS HOVERING OVER THE ALPS
LADY FROM CHAMPA CLIMBED INTO HER GILDED BED LAST NIGHT --
TONIGHT -- IT MUST BE AN INTERESTED SPECTATOR OF THE
AND SHUT HER EYES TO SOCIALIST PRINCIPLES."
"GREAT ST. BERNARD PASS". REMEMBER HOW NAPOLEON CROSSED
OVER THE GREAT ST. BERNARD IN EIGHTEEN HUNDRED -- TO LAUNCH
HIS CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE AUSTRIAN^S IN ITALY? HE HAD TO MAKE
IT A LIGHTNING SUMMER CAMPAIGN -- BECAUSE THE ALPINE PASS WAS
CLOSED FOR EIGHT MONTHS OF THE YEAR. LIGHTNING -- IS THE RIGHT
WORD. THE NAPOLEONIC VICTORY AT MARENGO -- FORCING THE VIENNA
TO CAPITULATE. ~~WAS~~ IF NAPOLEON WERE LEADING HIS ARMY THROUGH
THE ALPS THIS YEAR -- HE'D HAVE IT EASIER. THE TUNNEL UNDER
THE GREAT ST. BERNARD PASS -- IS NOW A REALITY. THE FINAL ROCK
WALL BETWEEN SWITZERLAND AND ITALY -- BLASTED AWAY BY A DYNAMITE
CHARGE, ALMOST TWO MILES INSIDE THE MASSIVE MOUNTAIN BARRIER.
THE ROUTE OF A TWO WAY HIGHWAY -- THAT WILL PERMIT TRAFFIC ALL
YEAR ROUND. CARS, WHIZZING UNDER THE ST. BERNARD PASS -- INSTEAD
OF OVER IT, AS IN THE DAYS OF NAPOLEON AND HIS GRENADIERS.

BED

THE LONDON DAILY MAIL TODAY CARRIES THIS REPORT:- "THE
LADY FROM GHANA CLIMBED INTO HER GOLDEN BED LAST NIGHT --
AND SHUT HER EYES TO SOCIALIST PRINCIPLES."

MRS. MARY EDUSI, THINKING TWICE, BEFORE SENDING BACK THE
GOLD PLATED BED THAT COST HER THREE THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING.

THE POINT BEING, THAT MR. EDUSI -- IS THE GHANA MINISTER OF

INDUSTRY. AND GHANA HAS -- A SOCIALIST ECONOMY. SPARTAN,
STOIC -- AND ALL THAT. ~~OBJECTS OF GOAL, FOR SOCIAL APPROPRIATE~~
~~HEARD WORDS TO THE GROUND.~~

SO MRS. EDUSI STARTED QUITE A FUROR -- WHEN SHE PICKED UP THAT
GOLDEN BED IN LONDON. FROM ACCRO, FROM HER SOCIALIST HUSBAND,

CAME A HURRY-UP CABLE -- "SEND BACK THAT BED!" BUT, IT'S
STILL THERE IN THE LONDON FLAT. THE LADY FROM GHANA EVIDENTLY
FEELING -- THAT SOCIALIST PRINCIPLES ARE ALL RIGHT, IN THEIR
OWN WAY. BUT THEY DON'T COMPARE WITH -- HER GOLDEN BED.

And now across the continent
to Dick Noel.

DOWRY

THE BOSSES OF RED CHINA ARE WORRIED ABOUT -- THE DOWRY,
SEEMS LIKE A RATHER ANTIQUE PROBLEM -- TO BE BOTHERING
THE COMRADES IN PEKING. BUT, THE OLD CUSTOM OF A SWAIN
DEMANDING SOMETHING MORE THAN THE HAND OF HIS ENCHANTRESS --
STILL SURVIVES IN THE WORKER'S PARADISE BEHIND THE BAMBOO
CURTAIN.
THE "SOMETHING MORE" BEING -- MONEY. IN OLD CHINA, A FATHER
WAS EXPECTED TO PONY UP A CHESTFUL OF YEN -- OR THE EQUIVALENT
IN CATTLE -- IF HE WANTED TO GET HIS DAUGHTER MARRIED OFF.
IN COMMUNIST CHINA, THE SAME THING -- ACCORDING TO THE PAPER
"CHINA YOUTH"
COMMUNISM HAS NEVER BEEN NOTED FOR ROMANCE. BUT PEKING THINKS
THIS DOWRY BUSINESS IS CARRYING MATERIALISM TOO FAR. SAYS
"CHINA YOUTH" -- "MARRIAGE AND MONEY ARE TWO DIFFERENT THINGS."
MAO TSE-TUNG'S MOUTHPIECE, ADDING SOLEMNLY, "THE DOWRY IS

NOT MARXIST." *And now across the continent
to Dick Noel.*

SPACE

WE'VE ~~HEARD~~ HEARD SO MUCH ABOUT WHAT OUR ASTRONAUTS MAY FIND
ON MARS -- PERHAPS IT'S TIME TO LOOK AT THE PROJECT FROM
THE OPPOSITE END. THAT'S WHAT PROFESSOR FRANK SALISBURY,
OF COLORADO STATE, IS DOING. THE PROF, SUGGESTING -- THAT
THERE MAY BE MARTIANS WHO DON'T LIKE VISITORS. WHO MAY
TAKE A DIM VIEW -- OF STRANGE, MYSTERIOUS EARTHLINGS WANDERING
AROUND IN THEIR BACK YARDS. WHO MAY REACH FOR -- THEIR
MARTIAN SHOTGUNS.

IF SO, THE HAZARDS OF SPACE FLIGHT -- ARE GREATER THAN WE
THOUGHT. THE MORALE FOR ASTRONAUTS -- "WHEN YOU LAND ON MARS,
WATCH YOUR STEP, BECAUSE THE NATIVES MAY BE UNFRIENDLY."