LT. - alds. Mon. May 9-60.

TONIGHT, WE HAVE THE OFFICIAL STAND OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT -CONCERNING AIRPLANE OBSERVATION FLIGHTS, ALONG THE BORDERS OF SOVIET HUSSIA -AND OF INSIDE RUSSIA TOO. SUCH RECONNAISSANCE HAS BEEN MADE - AND LOTS OF IT. SECRETARY OF STATE CHRISTIAN HERTER CALLS IT - "EXTENSIVE AERIAL SURVILLANCE." HE MADE THE STATEMENT - AFTER A SECRET MEETING WITH LEADERS OF CONGRESS, WHO WERE BRIEFED - BY THE SECRETARY, HIMSELF, AND BY THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE, ALLEN DULLES.

SECRETARY HERTER SAYS - THE AERIAL ESPIONAGE WAS ORDERED BY PRESIDENT ELSENHOWER, UNDER THE NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF NINETEEN-FORTY-SEVEN, WHICH DIRECTS OUR NATIONAL DEFENSE OFFICIALS TO GATHER ALL THE INFORMATION THEY CAN -TO SAFE GUARD AGAINST THE POSSIBILITY OF SUPPRISE ATTACK. ORDINARILY THIS AERIAL SURVILLANCE IS DONE BY PLANES WITH CIVILIAN PILOTS ALONG THE BORDERS OF THE SOVIETS. BUT, OCCASIONALLY - BY FLIGHTS OVER RUSSIAN TERRITORY.

THE GENERAL PROGRAM WAS ORDERED BY THE PRESIDENT, BUT HE DOES NOT GIVE AUTHORIZATION - FOR SPECIFIC MISSIONS. NOT HIS TASK - TO PUT HIS O. K. ON ANY PARTICULAR FLIGHT, SUCH AS THE ONE - WHICH HAS CAUSED ALL THE HULLABALOO. THE PRESIDENT - KNEW NOTHING ABOUT THE JET PLANE - WHICH, ACCORDING TO KHRUSHCHEV, WAS SHOT DOWN SO FAR INSIDE RUSSIA, AWAY OVER IN THE URALS.

UNOFFICIAL INFORMATION IS THAT RESPONSIBILITY FOR THAT ILL-FATED ADVENTURE -

PLANE

HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED. SECRETARY HERTER AND INTELLIGENCE DIRECTOR ALLEN DULLES -TELLING THE CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS / THAT IT HAS NOT BEEN ASCERTAINED - WHO AUTHORIZED THAT PARTICULAR FLIGHT.

THE IMPORTANT THING ABOUT IT - BEING THE TIMING. SHORTLY BEFORE THE SUMMIT CONFERENCE - WHICH BEGINS ON MONDAY. THE LEGISLATORS AT THE SECRET CONFERENCE, TODAY, HEPORTED AS HIGHLY CRITICAL. SUCH A LONG RISKY FLIGHT AT SUCH A TIME. AND THEN WE WERE CAUGHT IN A RIDICULOUS FALSEHOOD. THE QUESTION WAS RAISED, WE HEAR - DID THE SOVIETS ACTUALLY SHOOT DOWN THE JET OBSERVATION PLANE AS KHRUSHCHEV STATES? OR DID THE PLANE GRASH - HECAUSE OF MECHANICAL DIFFICULTIES?

SECRETARY HERTER'S FUELIC STATEMENT INTINATES - THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO CONJUCT AERIAL RECOGNICENCE TRYING - TO DETECT EVIDENCE OF SUPRISE ATTACK. CALLING THIS - THE LUTY OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, IN BEHALF OF ITS OWN PEOPLE AND THE WHOLE FREE WORLD. THE WAY FOR SOVIET RUSSIA TO STOP IT . TO REMOVE THE FEAR OF SURPRISE ATOMIC ATTACK.

SECRETARY HERTER INDICATES THE SOVIETS, ALL ALONG, HAVE KNOWN ABOUT THE

- 2 -

PRESIDENT EISENHOWER - STUNG - BY A MOSQUITO. WHICH DOESN'T SOUND LIKE ANYTHING MUCH - FOR A VETERAN SOLDIER. BUT CONSILER - WHERE THE MOSQUITO STUNG HIM.

AT A BREAKFAST FOR G.O. P. CONGRESSMEN, TODAY, THE LAWMAKERS NOTICED A BUMP. DAUHED WITH IODINE- BEHIND THE PRESIDENTIAL LEFT EAR. THE PRESIDENT EXPLAINING -THAT HE WENT FISHING THIS WEEKEND. CASTING FOR TROUT WHEN A MOSQUITO TOOK A BITE. DIGGING IN - AT AN OLD SCAR, DATING BACK TO THE TIME WHEN CADET EISENHOWER PLAYED EEHIND HIS LEFT EAR. Q mosquito bite can be a nuisance no matter where. But an old HES, FT. CAN ET & NUISANNE, WHEN A MUSQUITO PICKS & SCAR AS THE PLACE TO STING, that's the ultimate. FOOTBALL FOR WEST POINT. AN OFFOSING PLAYER CRASHING INTO HIM - RIPPING & CUT

WELL, AT LAST, THE TALKING ENDS - IN WEST VIRGINIA. TOMORROW - THE VOTING. THE PRIMARY CAMPAIGN - ONE LONG CRESCENDO OF POLITICS, PLUS RELIGION.

IT'S ENDING THAT WAY TODAY. WITH SENATOR KENNEDY REPEATING HIS CONTENTION. THAT RELIGION - SHOULD HAVE NO PART IN POLITICS. BUT HE ALSO REPEATED HIS FORMER ESTIMATE - THAT, BECAUSE, HE'S A CATHOLIC HE'LL BE LUCKY TO GET 40% OF THE VOTES IN WEST VIRGINIA.

BUT THAT PREDICTION OF A VICTORY FOR SENATOR HUMPHREY - DOES NOT PLEASE THE GENTLEMAN FROM MINNESOTA, ALTHOUGH IT'S A RARE THING FOR A CANDIDATE TO RESENT FORECASTS OF HIS OWN SUCCESS. TODAY, HOWEVER, HUMPHREY WAS NETTLED - BY AN ARTICLE IN THE NEW YORK TIMES STATING THAT HE'D WIN TOMORROW - HECAUSE OF THE RELIGIOUS ISSUE.

"WEST VIRGINIANS, " HE DECLARED INDIGNANTLY, "ARE NOT AS INTOLERANT - AS Then he added: -PICTURED BY SOME COLUMNISTS. "YOU CAN FIND INTOLERANT PEOPLE ANYWHERE - WHO DO NOT HELIEVE IN FAIR PLAY."

IT WOULD HE A PARADOX OF POLITICS IF THE MINNESOTA SENATOR SHOULD FIND A VICTORY IN WEST VIRGINIA - EMBARASSING.

## CIGARETTES

The Secretary of Health, Education and "elfare, today - ruled out an insistant suggestin that the Federal government should outlaw - the sale of cigarettes, on the ground - that cigarette smoking induces lung cancer. Secretary Arthur Fleming was testifying before a Congressional Committee and the anti-cigarette proposal was made - by Congressman John Bell Williams of Mississippi who begen by saying - that he has been using tobacco for twenty years.

Dr. Burroughs Mider of the National Cancer Institute gave his opinion - that cigarette smoking definitely does cause lung cancer. So, maybe - he's a non-smoker? Not at all. Dr. Mider stating - that he's been smoking cigarettes for thirty-five years.

Secretary Fleming rejected any motion - of a government ban on cigarettes. Giving the opinion - that it would be like probition in the bootleg era. Gigarette

## CIGARETTES - 2

probition not likely to work any better.

He said it was up to the individual - to decide for himself, despite the fact that cigarette smoking Dr. Mider of the National Cancer Institute says yes, smoking them does cause cancer.

1365350

FROM THE OLD CITY OF BARI, IN ITALY - A REWILDERED QUESTION: - WERE THE MAYOR AND THE TOWN COUNCIL OF BARI PRESENT - AT THE FESTIVAL OF ST. NICHOLAS?

THEYARE LEFT WINGERS - BACKED BY COMMUNISTS. THE CHURCH IN ITALY HAS FORBILDEN THE ATTENDANCE OF REDS, AT RELIGIOUS CEREMONIES. SO THE ARCH BISHOP OF BARI ASKED THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL - PLEASE DON'T COME. BUT THEY SHOWED UP AND THAT LEADS TO THE QUESTION - WERE THEY THERE?

ST. NICHOLAS OF BARI - THE ORIGINAL SANTA CLAUS. WE KNOW, OF COUPSE, THAT ST. NICHOLAS WAS A BISHOP IN ASIA MINOR IN THE 5TH CENTURY. BUT THE LEGEND, THAT THE FEOPLE OF BARI PROCURED THE RELICS OF THE SAINT - IN THE LITH CENTURY - WHICH, ACTUALLY HEGAN THE VOCUE OF ST. NICHOLAS - THROUGHOUT WESTERN EUROPE; CONSUMPTING IN SANTA CLAUS.

SO YOU SEE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE OCCASION - AT BARI. WITH RED OFFICIALS -MAKING AN APPEARANCE IN THE CATHEDRAL - SO WHAT HAPPENED?

WELL, THE ARCH BISHOP PROVED HIMSELF TO BE - A REAL DIPLOMAT. HE SIMPLY ANNOUNCED - THAT, SO FAR AS THE CHURCH WAS CONCERNED, THE LEFT WINGERS WERE NOT THERE AT ALL. THERE THEY SAT - BUT THEOLOGICALLY SPEAKING, THEY WERE NOT AMONG THOSE PRESENT.

TODAY, HOWEVER, THE MAYOR ISSUED A RETORT. SAYING THAT HE AND HIS FELLOW REDS -

HAD A FINE TIME AT THE FESTIVAL.

ALL OF WHICH LEAVES THE PEOPLE OF BARI - IN PERPLEXITY.

O sturtent th all our estimate the restart

## DR. BARBARA MOORE

In the mountains of Colorado, Dr. Barbara Moore is having - the toughest going of all, on her crosscountry hike. She's limping on an injured ankle - in addition to a series of blisters on her trudging feet. Then, this morning, she faced - Rabbit Ears Pass, nearly 11,000 feet high. The Pass - choked with snow, closed to traffic. The only way to get through - eith on skiis or snow shoes. Snow shoes for the indomitable English woman.

That was what she was doing today, mushing along. Ah and she had company too. The dauntless 56-year-old Rabbit's Ear Pass by woman was escorted over/those forest service avalanche rangers, who are so important in all our western mountain country. She on snow shoes. They on skis. Can't you just see them out there on Rabbit's Ear Pass tonight, Dick? THE WORLD OF MUSIC WILL MISS - THE OLD BEETHOVEN PIANO, DESTROYED - BY A FIRE IN THE SHRINE TO THE GREAT COMPOSER. AT BONN. THE BLAZE DIDN'T DO MUCH DAMAGE OTHERWISE - BUT IT BURNED UP THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY PIANO THAT BEETHOVEN USED -IN COMPOSING SOME OF HIS GREATEST WORKS.

THE FIRE - INCENDEARY. A MAN - SETTING THE FIRE WITH GASOLINE-SOAKED RAGS. WHY? WHY WOULD ANYBODY COMMIT SUCH A CRIME AGAINST MUSIC? WELL, SOME PEOPLE HAVE PECULIAR MOTIVES.

BOTHE VON STEEGEN, SIXTY-YEARS-OLD, EXPLAINED THAT HE SET THE FIRE IN THE BEETHOVEN SHRINE - TO CALL ATTENTION TO WRONGS INFLICTED ON HIM, IN ITALY -OF ALL PLACES, HE HAD A SMALL BUSINESS FIRM IN MILAN, WAS CONVICTED OF A FRAUD -AND SENT TO JAIL.

WHICH MADE HIM SO ANGRY - HE TOOK IT OUT ON BEETHOVEN.

WKMH- Det- 5-P-4-t-m.