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Good Evening Everybody:

When you hear of a scientific instrument
deciding - that John Dulecko and Igor Ivanov should be
only one one-hundredth of an inch thick - you imagine

held for trial,
that the experiment has to do with fine sub-divisions
of matter. Atomic particles - perhaps.

At Edwards Air Force Base, the reference is
International Electric Corporation in Paramus, New Jersey
to - the tailfin of a plane. A rocket plane - the X-15.

First, the scientists honed the vertical
tailfin - to the sharpness of a razor blade. Then they

sent pilot Bob Rushworth up sixteen miles - to see

what effect the trip would have.

Rushworth hit a speed of - almost three
thousand miles an hour. Not a record. But it turned

the edge of the tailfin - bright red. And proved that
razor sharp edges can survive and function - when the

X-15 whips along at four times the speed of sound.

SPIES

The indictments handed down in Newark, New Jersey - concern conspiracy to transmit classified information to the Soviets. A Federal Grand Jury, deciding - that John Butenko and Igor Ivanov should be held for trial.

Butenko is the American - in the case. He had top secret clearance - when he was with the International Electric Corporation in Paramus, New Jersey. Ivanov is the Russian - in the case. He used to be a chauffeur for Amtorg - the Russian export-import firm based in New York.

According to the indictment, Butenko stole documents - concerning the strategic Air Command. And Ivanov - was one of his Russian contacts.

Three more Russians - were caught along with Butenko and Ivanov. But all three - were members of the Soviet Mission to the United Nations. Hence they

MISSILE

The safety officer at Cape Canaveral - didn't have to make up his mind today. The Minuteman missile was obviously defective - the moment it roared up from its underground silo. Instead of arching high into the sky - it veered off to one side. Tumbling - end over end. The entire flight lasted fifteen seconds - until the safety officer pushed the destruct button. The missile - blowing up. Hurling blazing wreckage - all over the deserted area of Cape Canaveral. The Minuteman, ending - in an inferno of flame and smoke.

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WEATHER

It isn't often that the prediction of "continued rain" - is good news. So let's notice how many people are happy - about the steady drizzle going on outside their windows. First, the big-city people - of our eastern states. They've been plagued by - a water shortage. But now the reservoirs - are filling up again. Second, the woodsmen - of the Middle West. They've been fighting forest fires - in the dry timber. And are glad to have this damp assist - from Mother Nature.

Of course - you can't please everybody. The storm battering the Atlantic Coast - has forced skippers ashore from Chesapeake Bay to Long Island Sound.

MINE

The odd thing about the rescue of those eleven miners in West Germany - is that the rescuers made a mistake that might have caused a crushing tragedy. The giant drill was supposed to come down - beside the underground pocket. The fear being, that should it pierce the ceiling - there might be a cave-in.

Well, the drill missed its target - and cut through the ceiling. Which, fortunately, held firm - in spite of the massive machine tearing away tons of earth and rock. The steel capsule - was lowered. And the men came to the surface - one-by-one.

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VIET NAM

Dispatches from Saigon say that the Vietnamese capital is calmer tonight - than it's been for a long time. The military junta, rescinding many of the decrees - that were passed immediately after the fall of the Diem regime. Relaxing - martial law. Ending the curfew - and censorship of the press. All of which follows the removal of restrictions - imposed when Diem ruled South Viet Nam.

NATO.

The American government is both pleased and displeased - by what happened today in Paris. Subject - the Nato Conference. The delegates, supporting the American position on West Berlin - unanimously. Agreeing that Allied rights must be maintained - despite Soviet provocations.

But there was no such unanimity - concerning nuclear ships with international crews. We - are strongly in favor. The Europeans - mainly opposed. They argue that a nuclear naval force - would be too expensive. Also, that it might provoke the Russians into dangerous adventures - with their own atomic arms.

KHRUSHCHEV

I'm sure you've all heard about - Khrushchev's latest remarks in Moscow. Especially that exchange with American Ambassador Kohler - who asked what has become of "the spirit of Moscow". Whereupon, the Boss of the Kremlin protested - that he doesn't intend to violate that spirit. Kohler diplomatically refrained from asking - why Khrushchev keeps up the provocations along the access routes to West Berlin.

However, I'd like to stress - the reference to Cuba. The question has often been asked - whether Khrushchev would go to war with the United States in defence of Castro. Today he indicated that the answer might be "no". If the United States fights with Cuba, he said, we will then fight with the allies of the United States who are nearer to us than Cuba is to the United States - but he added - if there is war in Cuba, we will defend Cuba.

Which could seem cold comfort for Castro -

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**who used to talk about a rain of Russian rockets on
the United States.**

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GOLDWATER FOLLOW ROCKEFELLER

Of course, the Senator from Arizona - has not yet declared his candidacy. But Rockefeller thinks, as most ~~people~~^{PEOPLE} do - that Goldwater is a candidate in everything but name. After all, the two front-running Republicans - have been acting in the same way for the past few months. Acting - as if they wanted to run for President.

Everthing lies - in the timing. Sources close to Goldwater expect him to maneuver for a showdown - with Rockefeller. A showdown that will not split the GOP - and give the election to the Democrats.

LOWELL THOMAS

The first person that a Lowell Thomas audience will want to hear about tonight - is Lowell Thomas. His friends and his public have been phoning in all day - to find out how he is. The answer, from Lowell himself - relayed by Mrs. Thomas, who spoke to him late this afternoon - is that ^{HE FEELS} ~~he~~ fine. Expects to leave the Detroit hospital - in time for the big football game at West Point on Saturday.

He was laid up by what he terms - "a mild discomfort in my chest." Not - a real heart attack. Nothing bad enough to immobilize Lowell Thomas - one of the most active men of our time.