

RAIDERS

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The Cuban exiles who have been raiding the island - are going to step up their military activities. That's their answer to those, including President Kennedy - who are urging them to desist. The President's <sup>contention</sup> ~~point~~ is that these raids - only strengthen the bearded dictator. <sup>On this</sup> ~~But~~ the raiders - disagree. And today they issued, what they term - "a declaration of war on all ships that enter or leave Communist Cuba."

They say that they are explicitly on the hunt for - Soviet freighters. But that any vessel will be fired on, no matter what its flag - British, Greek, or whatnot.

As for President Kennedy's position, the Cuban exiles term it - "anti-Monroe Doctrine." They charge that <sup>it</sup> ~~it~~ puts the United States - "in the incredible position of protecting the Russians in Cuba." And they add - that they are not about to protect the

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Russians in Cuba.

The meaning of this manifesto - was indicated yesterday, by action. One exile raider, was boarded and captured - by a British warship. The second raider refusing to stop, raced on toward its Cuban target - threatening to fire on any ship that might try to intercept it.

As tangled a situation as you could imagine - developing in the Caribbean.

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WARSAW

Here's a grumble against Castro's Cuba, from an unexpected source - the Polish man-in-the-street.

A citizen of Warsaw - in the crowd greeting Mexican President Lopez Mateos today, ~~expressing~~<sup>ed</sup> the hope that - Mexico will do better business with Poland than Cuba does.

^ Complaining bitterly that all they get for their trucks and machines are - poor pineapples and awful banana brandy.

Castro, not too popular <sup>in Poland.</sup> ~~with the Polish~~  
~~citizensry N means.~~

GUATAMALA

That coup in Guatamala - is being called typical of Latin-American politics. But - it has <sup>a</sup> ~~one~~ unique angle. The man overthrown by the coup - approves of the coup.

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I suppose you all know what happened - in Guatamala city. President Ydigoras - surprized in his presidential palace by the file of troops who arrested him. Quickly hustled off into exile - in Nicaragua. Leaving power in the hands of Colonel Enrique Peralta Azurdia - who was Defense Minister under Ydigoras. And now heads the military junta - that has supplanted Ydigoras.

What does the ousted President of Guatamala think of the coup? <sup>Why, he says</sup> ~~Believe it or not~~ he's pro-junta. ~~Ydigoras~~ <sup>S</sup> Feeling ~~that~~ his country is now safer - from Communism.

^ Safer, that is - from Juan Jose Arevalo, the

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former President who has returned home - surreptitiously, and is hiding out - somewhere, saying he is not a Communist. He has no intention of trying to make himself - a Guatamalan Castro.

But he's far to the left - and Ydigoras, not strong enough to stop the Reds, thinks the new junta - is strong enough.

A military coup - supported by the victim of the coup!

## SYRIA

The new revolutionary regime in Syria today announced an eighteen-hour-a-day curfew. Damascus radio telling the people to stay off the streets - except between the hours of noon and six P.M. Anyone disobeying - liable to be shot on sight. Because of rioting yesterday - between supporters of Nasser's United Arab Republic and The Arab Nationalist Party.



INSBRUCK

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A huge avalanche - pouring down a mountainside - killed nine skiers yesterday, near the Tyrolean winter sports resort of Axams. The bodies of seven German students and two Austrian guides - recovered after an all-night search with torchlights, by Army troops, rescue dogs and helicopters. The avalanche touched off, apparently, by another group of skiers - who were ~~trotting along~~ <sup>traversing</sup> the upper edge of the slope.

Tragedy ~~almost~~<sub>1</sub> seems to be stalking skiers in Europe this year. The typhoid outbreak in Zermatt - and now this ~~fatal~~ avalanche.

## KING

The King of Morocco - violated precedent today.  
Hassan the Second, getting out of his car - on Broadway.  
Walking the last four blocks - of his ceremonial  
parade through New York. Not even the oldest  
Broadwayite - can remember when that happened before.  
But the King of Morocco - has a simple explanation.  
He says it didn't seem fair for him to be riding along  
Broadway - while practically everybody else was walking.



# ASTRONAUTS

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Fourteen new candidates are listed by the Air Force today - for flights into outer space. And - one marine. Which <sup>Marines</sup> ~~most Gyrenes~~ would say - are the right odds. Fourteen airforce - to one marine. All anxious to explore that new frontier.

Among them - our first negro astronaut candidate - Air Force Captain Edward J. Dwight, Jr. of Kansas City.

If they make it - they'll be <sup>the</sup> ~~our~~ next ~~batch of~~ ~~astronauts.~~ ~~The next~~ to ride <sup>our</sup> ~~the~~ ~~big~~ rockets into orbit.

## NEWSPAPERS

Now that the big newspaper strike is over - White House Press Secretary Pierre Salinger suggests the time has come to study ways and means of preventing newspaper strikes.

In a Philadelphia speech, he suggested - a study of their causes, and how to avoid them. However, he says proposals for such a study must come from labor and management - not from the government.

## APRIL\_FOOL

The oddest victim of the New York newspaper strike, as far as I know - was "glosso resonator".

That's the word dreamed up by the New York Telephone Company - as a protection against April Fool pranks.

"Glosso-resonator", described as an invention - that would cut off April Fool phone calls. The kind that bedevil the phone company - every year.

The trouble is - that the public never got to hear about "glosso-resonator". No newspapers.

And so today - the usual April Fool hoaxes. For example, calls for - Mr. Fox, Mrs. Wolf, Miss Lyon.

The phone, ringing interminably as in other years, at the Zoo.

LADY CHURCHILL

In London, they ought to be singing - "Clementine". An old British folk tune? No. It's a ballad out of - the rough-and-tumble of America's Western Mining Camps.

But Sir Winston Churchill is half American and an honorary American citizen. And, Lady Churchill's name is Clementine. Clementine, celebrating her seventy-eighth birthday - today. The toast - of Britain, where they should be singing "Oh, My Darling Clementine".