

L.T. - ~~Olds~~ Wed, July 26 - '61.

CONGRESS

NOW THAT THE NATION HAS HEARD PRESIDENT KENNEDY ~~IS~~
~~ON~~ ON BERLIN, CONGRESS HAS RECEIVED THE WORD ON WHAT
TO DO ABOUT IT.

MR. KENNEDY ^{today} SENT MESSAGES TO CAPITOL HILL, ASKING FOR
THREE AND ONE-HALF BILLION DOLLARS TO STEP UP OUR MILITARY
MIGHT; AND HE ASKED AUTHORITY TO CALL UP AS MANY AS TWO
HUNDRED ^{and} FIFTY THOUSAND READY RESERVES.

THE PRESIDENT ALSO WANTS TO EXTEND THE DRAFT TERM, AS
WELL AS ENLISTMENTS AND OTHER MILITARY DUTY --- BY TWELVE
MONTHS.

AS HE MADE THE REQUEST, DEFENSE SECRETARY McNAMARA
ANNOUNCED THE DRAFT CALL FOR SEPTEMBER - TWENTY THOUSAND MEN -
NEARLY THREE TIMES THE ORIGINAL FIGURE FOR AUGUST - BUT
LATER HE BOOSTED AUGUST TO THIRTEEN THOUSAND.

REACTION FROM CONGRESS WAS PROMPT AND FAVORABLE. CHAIRMAN
CARL VINSON OF THE HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE, AND
SENATOR RICHARD RUSSELL, HEAD OF THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES
COMMITTEE, SAID THEY ^{expect to} ~~WILL~~ HAVE EVERYTHING READY FOR
THE PRESIDENT'S SIGNATURE BY NEXT TUESDAY. THIS IS SPEED

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SELDOM SEEN ~~except in~~ ^{except in} WAR TIME.

SOME LAWMAKERS HAVE WARNED THAT THREE AND ONE-HALF BILLION DOLLARS MORE SPENDING, WILL, INEVITABLY MEAN MORE TAXES --- BUT NEITHER POLITICAL PARTY SEEMS READY TO CALL FOR THEM NOW.

OTHER REACTION TO THE BERLIN CRISIS TOOK VARIED FORMS. ARMY RECRUITING STATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTRY REPORTED AN UPSWING IN BUSINESS, AND A SPOKESMAN SAID: "WE ANTICIPATE A GREAT DEAL MORE."

CIVIL DEFENSE OFFICERS ~~SAY~~ ^{we} THEY ~~S~~ HAD AN UNUSUAL NUMBER OF TELEPHONE CALLS ASKING FOR INFORMATION ON STORING FOOD, AND BUILDING FALLOUT SHELTERS.

THE STOCK MARKET RALLIED, ESPECIALLY IN STEEL AND OTHER DEFENSE INDUSTRIES - AND BECAUSE OF WHAT MARKET ANALYSTS CALL - THE INFLATIONARY IMPLICATIONS OF THE PRESIDENT'S REQUESTS.

RUSSIAN JAMMING STATIONS WENT ON THE AIR TO KEEP THE VOICE OF AMERICA FROM CARRYING THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO THE IRON CURTAIN COUNTRIES. BUT, HIS SPEECH IN ~~THE~~ RUSSIAN

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ⁱⁿ AND ENGLISH ~~LANGUAGE~~ WAS NOT JAMMED.

ADLAI STEVENSON TOLD AN AUDIENCE IN ROME THAT IF KHRUSHCHEV DOESN'T UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION AFTER LAST NIGHT, "THEN LANGUAGE HAS NO MEANING FOR HIM, OR HE'S AS GREAT A GAMBLER AS HITLER." ^{Then} STEVENSON ADDED: "I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT HE IS."

CHANCELLOR ADENAUER OF WEST GERMANY ~~SAYS~~ HE'S HAPPY THAT THE U.S. HAS RESOLUTELY TAKEN OVER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE WEST. MAYOR WILLIE BRANDT OF WEST BERLIN THANKS MR. KENNEDY FOR HIS DETERMINATION TO PROTECT THE IMPERILLED CITY.

THE SOVIET NEWS AGENCY TASS ~~SAYS~~ KENNEDY ~~IS~~ "THE SO-CALLED THREAT TO WEST BERLIN, ~~ALLEGEDLY COMING FROM THE SOVIET UNION,~~ AS AN EXCUSE TO JUSTIFY THE ARMS RACE."

THE BRITISH FOREIGN OFFICE ENDORSES THE PRESIDENT'S STAND, BUT ~~SAYS~~ THAT BRITAIN WILL NOT NECESSARILY TAKE THE SAME EMERGENCY STEPS.

FORMER VICE-PRESIDENT ~~ALTON~~ ~~SAYS~~ HE FULLY APPROVES OF THE PRESIDENT'S PROGRAM. ~~BUT~~ HE ALSO RECOMMENDS SOME ADDITIONAL STEPS TO "KEEP THE PEACE WITHOUT SURRENDER."

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MR. NIXON WOULD "STOP CASTRO'S OUTLAW OPERATIONS IN THE AMERICAS," "BREAK THE SOVIET FILIPUSTER ON ATOMIC TESTING," "PUT SOME BACKBONE INTO AMERICAS FIGHT AGAINST ADMITTING RED CHINA TO THE U.N.", AND "SHELVE ALL NEW SPENDING PROGRAMS NOT DIRECTLY NECESSARY FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE."

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BARUCH

A CALM VIEW OF THE BERLIN CRISIS FROM ELDER STATESMAN
BERNARD BARUCH.

"AMERICA HAS ALL RESOURCES TO DO ALL THE THINGS THAT
NEED TO BE DONE" --- HE SAID. -- AND BARUCH ADDED: "THERE
IS NO REASON TO GET EXCITED ABOUT IT."

THE WHITEHAIRCED OCTOGENARIAN CALLED ON PRESIDENT KENNEDY
AT THE WHITEHOUSE, AND ^{afterward} SAID HE TOLD THE PRESIDENT THIS:
WE HAVE TO WIN THIS STRUGGLE WITH RUSSIA -- OR "EVERYTHING
WILL BE ASHES."

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SAID ADMIRAL ADAM BEEBE TO MEET WITH
HIM.

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THE STATUS-QUO. HE SENT A MESSAGE TO THE FRENCH COMMANDER
AS REQUESTED EXPRESSING "ENTIRE APPRECIATION" WITH THE WAY THE
FRENCH FORCES TOOK OVER. THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT ALSO ACCUSED
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TUNISIA

TO THE BATTLEGROUND - FOR A FIRST HAND INSPECTION -
TODAY WENT DAG HAMMERSJOLD, THE U.N. SECRETARY GENERAL.

WITH NO ADVANCE WARNING, HAMMERSJOLD JUMPED INTO A BLACK
LIMOSINE CARRYING THE U.N. FLAG - AND SPED DOWN THE HIGHWAY
FROM TUNIS TO BIZERTE. IT'S BELIEVED HE IS INVESTIGATING
THE TUNISIAN CHARGE THAT FRANCE IS BUILDING UP ITS FORCES
AT BIZERTE, DURING THE CEASE FIRE. THEN, BACK TO TUNIS,
HE WENT FOR AT LEAST ONE MORE CONFERENCE WITH PRESIDENT
BOURGIBA. HAMMERSJOLD DIDN'T SEE THE FRENCH COMMANDER.
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HIJACKER

THE F.B.I. HAS IDENTIFIED THE SLIM CUBAN GUNMAN WHO HIJACKED THE EASTERN AIRLINES PLANE.

HE'S WILFREDO ROMAN O'QUENDO - FORMER MEMBER OF THE CUBAN SECRET POLICE, AND MORE RECENTLY A MIAMI WAITER. THE F.B.I. SAID O'QUENDO LEFT CUBA WHEN PRESIDENT PRIO SOCARRAS WAS OVERTHROWN BY BATISTA, AND ~~HE'S~~ BEEN WORKING IN HOTELS AND NIGHTCLUBS IN MIAMI FOR ABOUT FIFTEEN YEARS.

— of course he never will —
IN THE RARE EVENT HE COMES BACK, THE F.B.I. WILL BE WAITING FOR HIM WITH A HOST OF SERIOUS CHARGES - THEFT OF AN AIRCRAFT IN FOREIGN COMMERCE; KIDNAPPING A PILOT; ASSAULT TO COMMIT A FELONY; AND ASSAULT ~~SECRET~~ ^{with} A DEADLY WEAPON.

AS FOR THAT LUXURIOUS AIRLINER - THE NEW THREE AND ONE-HALF MILLION DOLLAR LOCKHEED ELECTRA ~~is~~ ^{is} STILL PARKED AT THE HAVANA AIRPORT ~~with~~ ^{with} NO WORD FROM CASTRO AS TO ITS FATE.

COLEGROVE

ONE OF THE NATIONS TOP NEWSPAPER MEN - CRITICALLY
INJURED IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

ALBERT COLEGROVE, VETERAN WRITER AND EDITOR FOR THE
SCRIPPS-HOWARD CHAIN, WAS RIDING IN A TAXI WHICH RAMMED
THE REAR OF A PARKED TRUCK IN CIUDAD TRUJILLO. THE CRASH
OCCURRED LAST NIGHT. COLEGROVE ~~IS~~ STILL UNCONSCIOUS TODAY.

BRITAIN

Another rhubarb in the British Parliament today - laborites shouting again at chancellor of the exchequer Welwyn Lloyd. Shouting - "resign!" - "resign!"

The bedlam of hoots and shouts developing as Selwyn Lloyd spent a second day outlining and discussing his austerity program.

Lloyd, smiling and unruffled, said the government and industry must plan for five years and more to enable Britain's production, and distribution throughout the world, to be what it should be.

HUMOR

Even the teetotallers won't escape the
austerity program in Britain.

Those who planned to turn from liquor to water
to avoid the higher taxes, have been told that the price
of water is going, up too.

British officials say: more people are using
water these days. An astonishing development in
Britain. Drinking water! What ho, Dick?

COSTA_RICA

The shame of it - turning down a beautiful girl like that.

So complains a Costa Rican newspaper after hearing that a high school girl was eliminated from a beauty contest at Long Beach, California because she'd falsely claimed to be Miss Costa Rica - a country that had no entry this year. The newspapers in San Jose, Costa Rica - filled today with pictures of fifteen year old, Renoa Herg, calling her "The beautiful imposter - who looks like a Latin woman should." The paper says the U.S. judges lacked imagination - should have kept her in the contest.

Top officials in Coast Rica say they'll extend a formal invitation to the girl to visit them.

"She has the sweet gesture and pretty face," says the Costa Rica paper. "We owe her a debt of gratitude."