

L.T. --BUICK, FISHER. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1964

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The Windy City -- is really windy tonight. Chicago, battered by a gale whipping off Lake Michigan -- at almost fifty miles an hour. Blowing the snow into drifts -- six feet deep. Enough to block off -- whole areas of Chicago, and to close down the school system for the first time -- in a generation.

Beyond Chicago, to the East and the West -- every variety of winter weather. Snow, hail, rain -- and temperatures dropping far below zero. Streets, highways and turnpikes -- slick with ice. Stalled cars -- everywhere. The Lakeshore Drive outside Chicago -- is called "one big parking lot."

Trains are running -- hours behind schedule. Planes -- grounded. The Midwest -- our national icebox tonight.

MISSISSIPPI

The F. B. I. dragnet in Mississippi - caught sixteen of the accused at the first cast. Only three short of the total number - charged with violation of the Civil Rights Law.

Some of them are facing a more serious indictment - by the State of Mississippi. Namely - murder. The murder of the three Civil Rights workers who disappeared last June - Michael Schwerner, Andrew Goodman, and James Chaney. All three were found dead - in August. And the F.B.I. has been building a case for the prosecution - ever since.

Today - the roundup. Including Sheriff Lawrence Rainey - of Neshoba County. And Cecil Price - Rainey's Deputy. Price was the one who arrested - Schwerner, Goodman and Chaney. He says that he charged them with - a traffic violation. And insists - that all three were alive when he last saw them.

COMMUNISM

In London, ~~the~~ British Kremlinologists are ~~generally~~ agreed that Mao Tse-tung has laid one condition - before the Soviet leadership. ~~That condition~~ complete rehabilitation of Stalin. The Strongman of Red China, telling Brezhnev and Kosygin - he wants an immediate reversal of destalinization. Or else he ~~will~~ consider them enemies to be overthrown - as Khrushchev was overthrown.

The British experts describe the ideological split - like this. Premier Chou En-lai learned in Moscow - that B. and K. have no intention of dropping Khrushchev's policies. Just - his methods. Chou's conferences at the Kremlin produced nothing more than - ideological doubletalk. Which left the feud - unresolved.

When Chou returned to Peking - he and Mao put their heads together. And came to the conclusion - that one man could heal the rift. His name - Josef Stalin. Let the Soviet leaders rehabilitate Stalin - and the cause of the squabble would be removed. On - Peking's terms.

B. and K. have made it plain that destalinization is here to stay - in the Soviet Union. Hence the belief in London - which has diplomats in both Red capitals - that the ideological vendetta is about to erupt worse than ever.

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GOVERNORS

The slogan in Denver - "renovation without revenge." That seems to be the consensus among the Republican Governors.

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INDONESIA

That attack on the American Cultural Center in Jakarta followed a rally of Indonesian Reds. They met in the city's central square -- where agitators haranged the crowd; and then led about three thousand -- to the building near Jakarta's presidential palace; the home of Sukarno -- who has been so quick to criticize America; and, so quick to ask for -- and accept -- American aid.

The mob stormed into -- the American Cultural Center. And wrecked it. Smashing furniture, breaking windows, ripping flags -- burning books. The fifteen thousand volumes in the library -- have almost all been destroyed.

Director Jordan Tanner of Provo, Utah, reports -- no injuries to any of the staff. But the damage amounts to -- vandalism on an appalling scale.

MEDAL

The Medal of Honor that President Johnson will bestow tomorrow - goes to Captain Roger Donlan of Saugerties, New York. The Captain, setting - a precedent. First man to win the Medal of Honor for gallantry in a conflict - where the United States is not a belligerent.

But our soldiers are not always impressed by a technicality. And in Viet Nam when the Viet Cong attacked the unit to which Captain Donlan was assigned - it might just as well have been a real war. The enemy came - in waves. Racing forward with leveled bayonets - under the cover of snipers' bullets. The American officer led a defense that lasted - five hours. He was wounded four times. And he held - the position. The Red guerrillas, losing their steam, falling back - retreating into the jungle.

The Vietnamese battle may not have been a case of genuine belligerence - but it was dangerous enough to justify awarding the Medal of Honor to the American officer in the middle of the melee.

UNIVERSITY

I've covered a lot of stories about universities - in the past. But the present - is unique. I can't recall another case in which an American institution of high learning was paralyzed by its own student body.

The University of California at Berkeley is paralyzed by that "free speech general strike." Rebellious students, parading - in a picket line. Others, besieging - the Administration Building. Still others - handing out leaflets urging undergraduates to support - the general strike

Result - a sudden slowdown in the life of the University. Study rooms and lecture halls - empty. Profs., arriving - finding no one to lecture to, so - going home. Tutors, counsellors, advisors, coaches - with nothing to do.

Dick.

ARSONIST

There is an inhabitant of Philadelphia who describes himself as - "an intelligent being." But maybe you ~~had better~~ be - the judge of that.

The individual in question has written a letter to - the Philadelphia Fire Commissioner. Confessing - or rather boasting - that he set fire to two churches last week. In short, this practitioner of the epistolary art - is an arsonist.

However, he indignantly refuses to be called - a "fire bug." He prefers - the following description. "An intelligent being - capable of eluding discovery." On which one Philadelphia fireman comments - "He'll turn out to be a real nut, when we catch him."