

SPACE

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The Air Force, today, gave orders for the construction of a manned space ship. A vehicle -- to go into orbit with a passenger. It will be a sort of glider with wings -- to be carried up into space and hurled into ~~an orbit~~ an orbit by a rocket. Then - after circling the earth, it would glide back ~~to~~ into the atmosphere, For - a normal landing.

## INDIA

India seems none too enthusiastic about the surprise proposal from Red China, ~~which makes~~ the suggestion - that, along the disputed frontier line, both sides should withdraw their soldiers, To create a buffer zone twenty-five miles wide.

Along with which - the Chinese ~~Reds~~ Reds make a suggestion that the question be settled by direct negotiations. Talks - between Communist Foreign Minister Chou En-Lai and Indian Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru.

Upon receipt of the note, Nehru held a Cabinet meeting. At which - Indian Army Commander, General Thimayya, received instructions. To repel - any further Chinese aggression along the frontier between India and Himalayan Tibet. ~~Indicating - dissatisfaction.~~

The new proposal by the ~~China~~ Chinese Reds might reflect - advice from Soviet Russia. In Moscow, today, Premier Khrushchev declared - the territory in dispute in the high ~~Ma~~ Himalayas is of little importance. Uninhabited - and of no strategic significance in their air age.

## HIMALAYAS

The worst of all mountaineering disasters - did not happen. Today's news from Katmandu, Nepal, states - that the Japanese expedition, number thirty-two, <sup>is safe and</sup> is returning. After reports had been - that they had all perished, overwhelmed by Himalayan avalanches.

This report - based on what seemed like certain evidence. Three ~~in~~ Japanese climbers, and their small army of Himalayan porters - missing for three weeks. High on the icy slopes of Guari Sankar peak - in eastern Nepal.

Their base camp - at the eighteen thousand foot level. Where they left a couple of porters - while the thirty-two climbed up toward the summit. The two porters - waited in vain. While avalanches thundered - on the upper slopes. After three weeks, they decided - <sup>surely</sup> ~~that~~ all their companions had been lost.

Just where they went <sup>is</sup> - not yet clear. But they must have taken another <sup>route down,</sup> ~~trail - coming back~~. Because now the report is - that they <sup>a</sup>re safe, and <sup>are</sup> sound, returning to Katmandu.

## WATUTSI

In the Belgian Congo, an outbreak of savage tribal warfare. On one side - the Watutsis, <sup>- or Batusis as they call themselves -</sup> the tallest people in the world. Giant black warriors - whose average stature is <sup>around</sup> ~~about~~ seven feet. On the other side, the Bahutu Tribe - of average stature. Who, for long generations - have been serfs of the Watutsis. Kept in semi-slavery.

The cause of the trouble? Talk of independence for the Congo. Some sort of autonomy - which is to be announced at a session of the parliament in Brussels, tomorrow.

Under Belgian rule, the Bahutus have had protection - against their tall masters. <sup>- afraid</sup> ~~And~~ now they're afraid <sup>χ</sup> that, if the Congo becomes independent, the Watutsis will grind them down.

Hence the clash. Tribal battles - with spear and bow and arrow. More than fifty tribesmen - killed.

The Watutsis may be tall, but they're not so numerous.



Three hundred thousand of them - while their serfs number four million. But the Watutsis are among the most formidable warriors in Africa. Athletic giants - living a tribal military life.

People who saw our Cinerama feature, The Seven Wonders Of The World, will recall the Watutsis. Their tribal sport - of high jumping. And their martial dancing - the dance of professional warriors.

We had striking pictures of their King, the Mwami. In fact, there are two sections of the Watutsis - each with a separate King. Both - now involved in the war between masters and serfs in the African wilderness.

## CRANBERRIES

Tonight, we are told, that measures are being taken to make sure that cranberries offered for sale to the public - are safe. Not contaminated - with a chemical that might cause cancer.

In Washington, Arthur Flemming, Secretary of Health, education and welfare - held a news conference today, To warn people - about cranberries grown in the states of Washington and Oregon. Contaminated with a chemical used to kill weeds. Which chemical, it has recently been found, produces cancer of the thyroid in rats. No certainty what it would do to human beings - but the experiments were alarming.

*Arthur*  
Secretary, Flemming said - he ~~was~~ regretted having to say this, three weeks before Thanksgiving. But housewives should be warned - about cranberries from ~~in~~ those two northwestern states.

In both Washington and Oregon, ~~his~~ health authorities ~~will~~ declare that tons of cranberries are being

held up - for chemical inspection. To make sure - they are  
free of the dangerous weed killer.



ROBBERY

At St. Petersburg, Florida - one of the swankiest  
golf clubs <sup>of the Florida West Coast,</sup> in the country, With superb greens - and a large  
clubhouse of Spanish architecture. Early this ~~PM~~ morning -  
a gun battle at the golf club. A fifty-six year old woman -  
in a situation for a melodrama.

The caretaker, John McDonald - doing some chores in  
the clubhouse. His wife - asleep on a couch in the office.  
When she was awakened by a noise.

And saw her husband - held up at gunpoint by a man in a  
halloween mask. Robbers wearing masks - having invaded the  
place.

Mrs. McDonald <sup>went into</sup> ~~in quick~~ <sup>fast.</sup> action, She locked the  
office door; - then phoned the police. Who told her - to lie  
on the floor, because there might be ~~murder~~ gunfire. And  
keep - the telephone line open. So Mrs. McDonald lay there -  
all the time in telephone communication with police head-  
quarters. Reporting - what she heard.



Presently she heard - the sound of shots, as the police besieged the clubhouse. She heard a man fall - and groan. One of the robbers - hit and wounded.

As it happened, that same wounded robber used her husband as a shield. Making him go out in front - as the bandit got away. In fact, all the robbers got away. Without one bit of loot. Escaping - into <sup>out</sup> ~~woods~~ <sup>a nearby brush</sup> ~~and~~ thickets.

The police found Mrs. McDonald, still ~~lying~~ on the floor - with the telephone.

CROSBY

The stabbing of band leader <sup>Bob</sup>~~John~~ Crosby, brother of Big Crosby - seems to have been nothing more than a disorderly family row. His wife says he had been drinking, and grew violent - pushing her around. Whereupon she jabbed him in the shoulder and arm a couple of times, With - a letter opener. After which he went to a doctor - and said he had been in an automobile accident.

<sup>- sick -</sup>  
Well, it was - just a wife accident.

DUKE

Over in England, Arundel Castle, is the seat of the Duke of Norfolk, Premier Duke of England. The estate, enclosed by walls, - <sup>includes</sup> ~~comes to~~ eleven thousand acres. <sup>No King Ranch</sup> ~~The~~ castle - a massive Gothic pile. <sup>but huge for England. The</sup> A medieval fortress - which, in the past, defied many an ~~army~~ enemy. Besieged in the seventeenth century - but never captured.

Today, the surrender of Arundel Castle. Announced - by the Duke of Norfolk, <sup>Who</sup> states - that he and his family are moving out.

. So who's the victorious enemy? Old man high taxes. His Grace - no longer able to afford so expensive a residence.

Arundel Castle - which defied armies. Now yielding - to the tax collector.



## FIRE

Here's an item that, surely, is to be considered - news. Based on the old editorial formula - that, if a dog bites a man it is not news. But if a man bites a dog - it sure is.

At Hooksett, New Hampshire, the story is not - the firemen went to the fire. It's the other way around - the fire went to the firemen.

A blaze breaking out - in a mobile home. One of those - elaborate, sumptuous trailers. Fred Goodnight, the owner - calling the Fire department. But, instead of waiting for the blaze battlers to arrive, <sup>Fred</sup> ~~he~~ drove the trailer to the firemen - to meet them. The fire met the firemen - half way.