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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The ballot being used in Oregon today must be the largest that any state primary will use this election year. The names of the six candidates for the G.O.P. nomination -- they are only the beginning. Most of the blanks for the Oregon voters to fill in concern a raft of state and local jobs. Also write-ins are allowed for those who want to note a preference for vice president. Said one Oregonian -- "You need a mechanical brain to figure out this ballot!"

As for the rest of the country, the interest in Oregon concerns the fate of the six presidential hopefuls. Are the pollsters right -- in making Cabot Lodge the favorite? Did Nelson Rockefeller

cut into Lodge's following -- with his whirlwind
campaign across the state? What about the "Surge
to Nixon"? Will Goldwater or Scranton -- do better
than expected? And how far will her feminine charm
carry Margaret Chase Smith? In a few hours we'll
know.

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ROCKEFELLER

Nelson Rockefeller, the only G.O.P. candidate to be briefed at the State Department -- calls himself "neither surprised nor amazed" by what he heard. What -- did he hear? Everything he asked about -- with regard to our foreign policy.

President Johnson opening the files for the Governor of New York, who conceivably could be his successor in the White House.

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VIET_NAM

That latest battle in the jungle of South Viet Nam -- was not as one-sided as first reports made it out to be. The Viet Namese, ambushed again, suffered over one hundred casualties, including an American officer -- wounded.

But a counter-attack from the air -- drove the guerillas back, and may have inflicted on them -- greater losses than the Viet Namese suffered.

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IDEOLOGY

The interesting thing about the ideological dispute between Russia and Red China -- is that it seems to have shifted to the West. If the Boss of the Kremlin can keep the satellites in order, then his real problem is to persuade Communists in the West to line up on his side, Reds over whom he has no direct control.

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SPI

The Czech spy who has been caught in Rio --
has a rather unpronounceable name. ZDENEK KVITA.

The Brazilians kept this Secretary of the Czech
Embassy under surveillance -- for eight months.

And caught him red-handed -- attempting to buy
classified documents from an undercover agent.

The Brazilian Boot -- for Comrade Zdenek
Kvita.

FLOOD

The Pangani River Valley in Tanganyika -- is flooded tonight. A dispatch from Dar Es Salaam -- on the coast of East Africa, tells of torrential rains lifting the Pangani River -- beyond flood crest, causing it to spill -- over its banks, over -- the surrounding countryside, pouring through villages, carrying away huts and forcing man and beast -- to flee to the hills.

About a thousand villagers have been taken out -- by boat, truck and helicopters, with more waiting to be rescued from the age-old terror of Tanganyika, the Pangani River -- in flood.

HEINTZLEMAN -- DARNELL

Coming to Alaska is almost like returning home for me, for I've been coming back and forth to Alaska for exactly fifty years - since 1914. And it seems to be in the family. Lowell Junior's connection with this state has now spanned a period of nearly twenty-five years. Today I had breakfast with an Alaskan whom I have told about on the air several times, one of the few who ever found his head in the jaws of a bear, and lived to tell the tale. His name -- Rod Darnell. Former Governor Frank Heintzleman came in and joined us, and these two veteran sourdoughs have been reminding me of the only other great earthquake that Alaska has had in this century.

The most spectacular mountains in the world are along this south Alaskan coast. West of here

greater -- at Lituya Bay. There, a fisherman named Howard Ulrich, actually saw a great glacier rise in the air, and when it and the land around it settled, the displacement of water in the bay must have been enormous, for a wall of water hundreds of feet high raced across the Bay and crashed against the opposite wall of the fjord up to a height of eighteen hundred feet above the level of the Bay.

There is a magazine that tells its readers all about this exciting country. People right around the world subscribe to The Alaska Sportsman, of Juneau, which describes the area about which Governor Heintzleman and Rod Darnell were telling me. It calls that region - Lituya Bay and Glacier Bay, "Awesome beautiful -- but sometimes where the mountains come tumbling down, and the waters of the seas go mad."

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And now, Dick Noel, who always has something
sane to say.

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COMMENORATION

Our Nation will be two hundred years old on July Fourth, Nineteen Seventy-Six. Only -- twelve years from now. And the White House announces that President Johnson is getting ready to appoint a Commemoration Committee to coordinate arrangements for celebrations in all the states. Yes, July Fourth, Nineteen Seventy-Six, will be quite a day. And I hope you - in fact I hope all of us will be around to take part in that celebration. From K T N Y, Juneau, Alaska.

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