

L.T.-OLDS. TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1962

(L.T. at SouthSea Islands, and then Antarctica.
Bc. given by Doug Edwards of CBS.)

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

And reasonably good news from the top man tonight.

President Kennedy, in his first news conference since mid-September, told reporters that he had been informed today by Russian Premier Khrushchev that all Soviet bombers in Cuba will be withdrawn within thirty days. And as a consequence, the President said he has informed Defense Secretary McNamara to lift the American naval quarantine of the island.

Mr. Kennedy then outlined the history of the recent Cuban crisis. He said that all evidence so far indicates that all missiles have been removed from Cuba. And he said that the Soviet government has stated that all nuclear weapons also have been removed.

So far as inspection is concerned, no satisfactory

process has been worked out and no method established to insure that nuclear weapons might not be brought into the Western Hemisphere in the future. Consequently, the President said, the U.S. Government has no choice but to continue its vigilance and it will not abandon political and economic efforts to prevent any Cuban subversion.

Mr. Kennedy said that the United States has identified a number of Soviet ground units in Cuba, but that there has been assurance that they will leave. He said negotiations are not yet complete and therefore he was not making any formal pledge against a possible invasion. He did not rule out our right to defend the security of this nation and that of our allies, if necessary.

But President Kennedy said that real progress has been shown, and he is hopeful there will be more. In short, said Mr. Kennedy, Americans have ~~xxx~~ much to be grateful for this Thanksgiving week, and there is a hopeful outlook that perhaps some of the other major problems between East and West may soon

be solved.

He also said that Assistant Secretary of State
Harriman and others will leave for India tomorrow to explore
methods of extending more aid to India in her current battle
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CHINA

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two o'clock in the morning and informed of the development.

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CUBA

From Havana today came reports of two incidents involving United States military aircraft. Radio Havana charged that a U.S. plane made a bombing attack on a Cuban ship in international waters yesterday. The broadcast said the aircraft made four passes at the ship and dropped eleven bombs, most of which missed the target and the vessel escaped with only slight damage.

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SEGREGATION

In his opening statement at the news conference, President Kennedy also announced that he signed an executive order today, which bars racial discrimination in all federally aided housing. He said that he is creating a new, "President's committee on equal opportunity in housing", to help carry out a policy of non-discrimination because of race, color, creed or national origin.

MOSCOW

The British news agency Reuters reports that Russian Premier Khrushchev has called on his Communist economic planners to pick up the free-enterprising lead of the three big automobile corporations in the United States. He says it's a good idea to copy American centralization as part of a new program to streamline the Soviet economy. Khrushchev also said the three big corporations have achieved great economic success by concentrating their designing forces and on ninety per cent of their production.

TWIST

The prospect of a mass of three thousand college students, all doing the twist at the same time, in one big hotel ballroom, is something to stagger the mind and perhaps the sensibilities of many who prefer a more conservative type of dancing. But Stan Tubin, a dance-band-man, who provides the music for more than sixty college functions a year, knows all the tribal rites and he believes the time is ripe for the biggest "twist prom" of all. Rubin's annual Thanksgiving-in-New-York" dance will be held Friday night at Manhattan's brand new Americana Hotel, which has a ballroom big enough to hold the three thousand college students he hopes will show up.

STAMPS

Stamp collectors, attention please.

A court suit to block the sale of deliberately misprinted Dag Hammarskjold stamps has been dropped and the sale of the stamps has been resumed. Fella in Newark, New Jersey, raised the ruckus after he purchased fifty of the unintentionally misprinted stamps. Now the Post Office Department stepped in, again decided to flood the market -- announcing that the deliberate misprints would go on sale instantly on settlement of a suit instituted by the Newark stamp collector who figured he had a gold mine in the originals.

If you just want to mail a letter requiring a four cent stamp -- go right ahead, Dick.

TURKEY

This is the warm little story of a turkey's dream, Richard. A turkey affectionately named Mrs. Mitch who lives, and will continue to live, in Jackson, Michigan. The Allyn Kehrler family there have known Mrs. Mitch practically ever since she was an egg. And you just don't go roasting your life-time friends for Thanksgiving dinner -- even if the friend happens to be a turkey.

Mrs. Mitch was hatched in an incubator in a science classroom -- outgrew the incubator and found a new home with the Kehrers early last summer. If Mrs. Mitch likes somebody she lets it be known right away -- makes it known with her best glassy eyed stare. And this is how Mrs. Mitch got her guarantee that she won't be somebody's Thanksgiving dinner -- at least not this year.

And that, Dick, sort of makes you proud, you're fond of live turkeys -- doesn't it?