

L.T. BUICK, FISHER. WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 1966

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Another American triumph in space today -- as  
you no doubt know.

An Agena target satellite first off the pad this  
morning at Cape Kennedy -- in flawless flight; followed  
shortly by a perfect launch -- for the Gemini Eight --  
bearing Astronauts Neil Armstrong and David Scott.

Both space vehicles -- A o.k. All the way. The  
Gemini Eight successfully achieving a rendezvous in  
space -- precisely as planned. Following that -- with  
the first docking maneuver in space. Even now -- the  
two space craft hurtling in tandem orbit around the earth.

Still to come -- an incredible walk around the world  
by Astronaut Scott.

RUSSIA

*Concise*

~~CONCISE~~ TO THE AMERICAN SPACE SPECTACULAR--THIS FROM  
MOSCOW. SOVIET SPACE OFFICIALS TODAY REPORTING THE SAFE RETURN  
OF BLACKIE AND BREEZE, THE TWO SPACE DOGS THAT ORBITED THE EARTH  
FOR 23 DAYS. FIRST LIVING ANIMALS EVER ~~THE~~ *then* TO PASS THE VAN ALLEN  
RADIATION BELT--AND SURVIVE.

SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE DOG FLIGHT--IS SEEN AS THE  
FORERUNNER TO A CORRESPONDING FLIGHT SOON BY TWO OR MORE RUSSIAN  
COSMONAUTS. THIS SUCCESSFUL--A DRESS REHEARSAL FOR MANNED FLIGHT  
TO THE MOON.

PRESIDENT

~~BE THAT AS IT MAY A FLAT PREDICTION TODAY FROM~~ PRESIDENT  
*said today*  
JOHNSON, THAT THE UNITED STATES--WILL BE THE FIRST NATION TO  
LAND A MAN ON THE MOON. "AND, WE INTEND TO DO IT," ~~HE~~ SAID HE --  
"IN THE DECADE OF THE 60s." THIS THE FIRST TIME--THE PRESIDENT  
HAS EVER MADE SUCH A STATEMENT IN PUBLIC.

THE OCCASION--A WHITE HOUSE CEMONONY AT WHICH HE WAS  
AWARDED THE ROBERT H. GODDARD TROPHY--FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION  
TO AMERICAN SPACE DEVELOPMENT.

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ALL THIS--APPROPRIATELY ON THE 40th ANNIVERSARY OF THE  
SPACE AGE. THE 40th ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST FIRING OF A  
LIQUID FUELED ROCKET, ~~THE~~ BY THE AFOREMENTIONED DOCTOR  
ROBERT GODDARD--ON MARCH 16, ~~1926~~ 1926, AT AUBORN, MASS.  
FIRST STEP TOWARDS THE HEAVENS--TURNING SCIENCE FICTION  
INTO SCIENCE FACT.

DR. ROBERT GODDARD -- A MAN WHO SPENT HIS LIFE--  
LITERALLY " AIMING AT THE STARS." HIS CREED THEN ~~WAS~~ JUST  
AS TRUE TODAY. FOR HE FELT THAT " NO MATTER HOW MUCH  
PROGRESS ONE MAKES IN THE FIELD OF SPACE--THERE IS ALWAYS  
THE THRILL OF JUST BEGINNING.



VIET NAM

ANOTHER COMMUNIST ATTACK--ANOTHER COMMUNIST DEFEAT TODAY  
IN VIET NAM.

VIET CONG FORCES SURROUNDING A DETACHMENT ~~of~~ U.S.  
PARATROOPS--IN THE <sup>d</sup>MIST OF A BIG ALLIED SWEEP, THRU THAT  
DREADED ZONE D FOR DEATH. THE COMMUNIST ATTACKING--"FROM  
ALL DIRECTIONS." HOWEVER, U.S. PLANES, ARTILIARY AND INFANTRY  
MEN RUSHING TO THE RESCUE. THE <sup>Viet Cong</sup>~~COMMUNIST~~ FINALLY BEATEN  
BACK AFTER A FOUR HOUR BATTLE THAT COST THEM 142 DEAD.  
AMERICAN LOSSES CALLED "LIGHT."

MEANWHILE, AN APPEAL TODAY FROM GENERAL THI --FOR AN  
END TO PROTEST AGAINST HIS DISMISSAL AS THE GOVERNMENT  
FIRST AMRY COMMANCER. THE GENERAL TELLING HIS FOLLOWERS: --  
~~THAT~~ " THINK OF COUNTRY, NOT OF ME."

BANK

ON ANOTHER FRONT--THE PRESIDENT TODAY PUT HIS SIGNATURE TO THE REQUIRED LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING AMERICAN PARTICIPATION IN THE NEW ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK. THE BANK CHARTER, AN ECONOMIC MAGNET FOR THE DIVERSE LANDS OF ASIA," SAID THE PRESIDENT. JOINING 31 COUNTRIES IN ALL--IN THE MUTUAL GOAL OF ECONOMIC IMPROVEMENT.

AT THE SAME TIME--THE PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED THAT AMERICA WILL PUT UP HALF--OF THE REQUIRED 24, MILLION, NEEDED TO BUILD THE NAM NGUM DAM AND POWER STATION IN LAOS. LARGEST MEKONG RIVER DEVELOPMENT PROJECT--TO DATE.

INDIA

Hindu mobs raged once again today thru the street<sup>(s)</sup> of Chandigarh, Jullundar and Ludhiana - <sup>in</sup> /the Indian Punjab, for a fifth straight day -- of communal rioting triggered by the government ~~decision~~ <sup>decision</sup> to establish a separate Sikh State in the Punjab.

The rioters -- setting fire to cars and buses; beating back firemen when they attempted to put out the flam; forcing police to counter with rifle fire -- that killed at least two. Indian Primer Minister Madam Indira Gandhi -- later promising "All necessary force to put down this violence."



BERLIN

ANOTHER GRIM STORY TODAY--FROM COMMUNIST EAST BERLIN.

REPORTING DEATH OF TWO MORE REFUGES--FROM COMMUNIST TERROR.

THE PAIR SHOT DOWN BY EAST GERMAN BOARDER GUARDS--WHEN THEY

ATTEMPTED TO FREE INTO THE AMERICAN SECTOR OF WEST BERLIN.

IN MANY WAYS -- THE SAME OLD STORY, EXCEPT THAT THIS  
TIME--THE VICTIMS WERE MERE CHILDREN. ONE A BOY--JUST 10  
YEARS OLD. HIS BROTHER--ONLY 13.



WARSAW

AT WARSAW--A THREE HOUR MEETING TODAY--BETWEEN THE U.S.  
AND RED CHINESE AMBASSADORS TO POLAND. THE UNITED STATES  
APPARENTLY SEEKING PERMISSION-~~FOR~~ AMERICAN SCOLARS TO VISIT  
MAINLAND CHINA. POSSIBLY--IN A RECIPROCA~~TE~~ TRAVEL AGREEMENT.  
RESULTS<sup>7</sup> HARD TO TELL. The CHINESE DELEGATES REPORTING  
" NO PROGRESS." AMERICAN AMBASSADOR JOHN GRONOUSKI COMMENTING  
ONLY--THAT THEY HAD A "SERIOUS TALK."

THE QUESTION TODAY IN INDONESIA--WHO'S ON FIRST?

SUKARNO--OR SOEHARTO ?

SINCE THE WEEKEND-- THE OUTSIDE <sup>has been</sup> WORLD LEAD TO BELIEVE

THAT GENERAL SOEHARTO HAD ASSUMED FULL POLITICAL POWERS.

THAT SUKARNO WAS PRESIDENT HENCEFORTH--IN NAME ONLY.

BUT ACCORDING TO STATEMENTS TODAY FROM BOTH MEN--

IT ISN'T SO. SOEHARTO ASSERTING THAT SUKARNO'S POSITION

AS PRESIDENT--HAS NOT BEEN IMPAIRED. SUKARNO--FOR HIS

PART--EMPHASISING THAT HE HAS GIVEN SOEHARTO TOTAL~~E~~ POWER

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-- ONLY TO PUT AN END TO RECENT STUDENT RIOTS.

SUKARNO ADDING THAT AS PRESIDENT--HE IS STILL--

QUOTE--"THE SUPREME COMMANDER OF THE ARMED FORCES, GREAT

LEADER OF THE REVOLUTION, MANDATE HOLDER OF THE PEOPLE'S

ASSEMBLY--RESPONSIBLE ONLY TO THE ASSEMBLY AND TO ALMIGHTLY

GOD.--UNQUOTE.

AS A MATTER OF FACT--HE REPEATED THE JOB DESCRIPTION

SIX TIMES--DURING THE COURSE OF A BRIEF SPEECH, APPARENTLY

TO MAKE SURE THERE'S NO FURTHER MISTAKE.

OLDS

AN AUTOMOTIVE MILE STONE TODAY--AT LANSING, MICHIGAN.  
WHERE AN AUTUMN BRONZE OLDSMOBILE ~~FORONADO~~ ROLLED OFF THE  
ASSEMBLY LINE--AT ABOUT 10 o cLOCK IN THE MORNING, TO BECOME  
THE ONE HUNDRED MILLIONTH MOTOR VEHICLE MANUFACTURED BY  
GENERAL MOTORS, THE WORLD'S LARGEST INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION.

AT THAT--THE OLDS WAS BUT ONE OF 27,000 CARS, TRUCKS  
AND BUSES ~~turned out~~ *Warren-* TODAY BY G.M., AT 28 ASSEMBLY PLANTS IN THE  
UNITED STATES AND CANADA.



PRINCE

A LITTLE BIT OF REVERSE ENGLISH TODAY--FROM BRITAIN'S  
PRINCE PHILIP. WHILE VISITING A CHICAGO DEPARTMENT STORE\_\_  
ON HIS CURRENT FUND-RAISING TOUR OF THE UNITED STATES  
AND CANADA.

SPOTTING A FOOD DEPARTMENT--THE PRINCE ASKED WHETHER  
THEY ACTUALLY SOLD ANY REAL COFFEE. ASSURED THEY DID--  
HE APPEARED ASTOUNDED. *Said Prince Phillip:-*  
~~REMARKING~~ "HOW ANYBODY IN THE UNITED  
STATES CAN COMPLAIN ABOUT BRITISH COFFEE--AFTER THE STUFF I'VE  
HAD HERE--BEATS ME."