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Good Evening Everybody:

The Ranger is riding the wide open spaces - tonight. In fact, the widest of all - outer space. Ranger Seven, racing through the sky - toward the moon. Hurtling along the collision course that will end on Friday - when the Ranger is due to reach the moon.

Today's mid-course maneuver - completely successful. Delicate instruments, guiding Ranger Seven, toward the point of impact. Direction, now "extremely accurate." Say our scientists. So it looks as if the rest is up to the cameras. If they don't trigger into action - a major element in this space shot will have failed. If they function properly we'll see the moon - as it has never been seen before.

ASTRONAUTS

When astronauts Jim McDivitt and Ed White take off into space next spring in their Gemini capsule, it's entirely possible they may even open its door - and have a look. A first hand look at - what's in outer space. So says - the National Aeronautics and space administration.

During their trip in their Gemini space craft, the two space men may - depressurize the capsule, then open the hatch and stand up - to look around. This only one of ten or eleven experiments they are to undertake. Others include - measuring radiation and the earth's magnetic field in space. Taking pictures - of objects on earth and in deep space. And studying medical reactions - such as heart measurements. Also bone demineralization - their own bones - while they're in orbit.

Sounds as though/ the two wont have much time to be bored while they are in outer space.

GOP

The decision to hold a Republican summit conference in Hershey, Pennsylvania - means that the host will be the man who lost in San Francisco. The Governor of Pennsylvania to preside over the conference - at which his successful rival will be the key figure. Governor Scranton to do all he can to unite the GOP - behind Senator Goldwater.

This, the conciliation meeting - promised by the Arizona conservative, perhaps to placate such party moderates as Governor Rockefeller. Moderates and Conservatives to get together next month at Hershey, Pennsylvania.

DEMOCRATS

The Democrats convention arrangements committee got busy today. They approved among others, the selection of speaker John McCormack as permanent chairman. House Democratic Leader Carl Albert - as Chairman of the Platform Committee. And Senator John Pastore of Rhode Island - as keynote speaker of the Democratic Convention. The keynoter - one of the old time spell binders on Capitol Hill.

SOCIAL SECURITY

The vote in the House on social security - was overwhelming. Perhaps reflecting - this election year, when there are few votes to be lost by increasing social security benefits.

The measure approved by the House would hike those benefits - by one and one half billion dollars. And bring an additional six hundred thousand Americans within the scope of the social security program.

DE GAULLE

An official of the French foreign office has this to say - about DeGaulle's diplomatic offensive in Eastern Europe. "A symbol of the end of the international system - created at Yalta." The reference is of course to the system that came out of World War Two, when Roosevelt and Churchill conferred with Stalin and accepted Stalin's demand for authority over the satellite nations.

For years DeGaulle has been predicting that the Yalta system would collapse and now is doing his bit to make it collapse, by playing host to the Roumanian Premier and preparing to send invitations to more satellite leaders; also indicating that he himself wouldn't be averse to a few state visits behind the iron curtain.

The old soldier of France out to undo Yalta.

EUROPE FOLLOW DEGAULLE

How about an attack on Moscow? Does DeGaulle have that in mind - in a literal sense? His chief of staff says that a soviet invasion of Western Europe - would have to be met with the ultimate weapon, rockets, with nuclear war heads - raining down on the Soviet Capital.

DeGaulle seems to be taking the line that only a threat of massive retaliation could save Europe should the Red legions come storming west.

RHODESIA

The violence raging in Rhodesia - has nothing to do with current political problems. Not the natives against the planters - or anything like that. This violence goes back a lot farther, back to the age-old superstitions of Africa.

The sorcery called "Lumpa" was there long before the white man arrived. A form of magic that causes its devotees to go berserk, which is what is happening now. An entire tribe on the rampage, overwhelming - a string of villages, killing more than fifty people - with their spears, burning the huts.

The outbreak so terrifying - that governor Sir Evelyn Hone has declared a state of emergency, and dispatched a battalion of soldiers. British law against African black magic.

POWER

ELEVEN STATES OF THE NATION ARE TO BE LINKED BY A GIANT ELECTRIC POWER TRANSMISSION SYSTEM - THE LARGEST EVER CONCEIVED IN THIS COUNTRY - IF PLANS APPROVED BY PRESIDENT JOHNSON ARE PASSED BY CONGRESS.

THE SYSTEM WOULD BRING THE RICH RESOURCES OF THE ~~THE~~ COLUMBIA ~~IN~~ RIVER IN THE NORTHWEST ALL THE WAY TO THE POWER HUNGRY SOUTHERN AREAS OF CALIFORNIA AND ARIZONA. LINKING UP THE STATES OF OREGON, CALIFORNIA, WASHINGTON, NEVADA, ~~AND~~ ARIZONA, NEW MEXICO, IDAHO, UTAH, MONTANA, WYOMING - AND COLORADO.

THE PLANS WHICH THE PRESIDENT APPROVED TODAY CALL FOR - COMBINED PUBLIC AND ~~PRIVATE~~ PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROJECT. WHICH WILL COST - SIX HUNDRED AND NINETY ~~XX~~ ⁷ SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS. THE GOVERNMENT'S SHARE - ABOUT THREE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS. OR - FORTY PERCENT. THE INVESTMENT EXPECTED TO BE PAID BACK IN FIFTY YEARS, THROUGH POWER REVENUES.

THE YANKEE

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IN THE SOUTH SEAS, SOME SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY MILES
SOUTHWEST OF TAHITI, ONE OF THE MOST ~~RE~~ FAMOUS SAILING ~~IN~~ SHIPS
IN THE WORLD IS BEING POUNDED TO PIECES, AT THIS MOMENT, AS SHE
HANGS ON A CORAL REEF JUST OFF THE ROMANTIC ISLAND OF ROROTONGA.
SHE'S A BRIGANTINE, THE YANKEE, ON WHICH SO MANY YOUNG AMERICANS
SAILED ON VOYAGES OF HIGH ADVENTURE, WITH THE FABULOUS CAPTAIN
IRVING JOHNSON, AND HIS ALMOST EQUALLY FABULOUS WIFE EXY.

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A FEW YEARS AGO IRVING JOHNSON DECIDED TO GIVE UP HIS
ROUND THE WORLD CRUISES WITH THE YANKEE. TODAY HE HAS ANOTHER
DREAM VESSEL, A MUCH SMALLER ONE, ON WHICH HE TAKES A FEW FRIENDS
FOR UNUSUAL CRUISES ALONG THE RIVERS AND WATERWAYS OF EUROPE.
SINCE HE DISPOSED OF THE YANKEE, -- I CAN STILL SEE THAT BEAUTIFUL
BRIGANTINE
~~BRIGANTINE~~ PASSING US UNDER FULL SAIL -- SINCE THE JOHNSONS GAVE
HER UP, THE ~~YMK~~ YANKEE HAS HAD HER TROUBLES. AFTER ALL, NOW_
ADAYS WHERE DO YOU FIND SAILING SHIP CAPTAINS LIKE IRVING JOHNSON
AND ALLAN VILLIERS? THIS TIME, A NEW GROUP HAD TAKEN OFF ON A
VOYAGE AROUND THE WORLD. THEY HAD GOTTEN AS FAR AS THE COOK
ISLANDS, BETWEEN FRENCH POLYNESIA AND NEW ZEALAND. JUST WHAT
HAPPENED TO THE YANKEE WE DON'T KNOW, BUT HER PASSENGERS ARE NOW
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REPORTED MAROONED ON THE ISLAND OF ROROTONGA, WHILE THE YANKEE

COMES TO THIS TRADITIONAL, BUT IGNOMINIOUS FINALE, DICK --
THOSE SOUTH SEA WAVES, POUNDING HER TO PIECES TONIGHT, OUT THERE
ON THAT CORAL REEF AT ROROTONGA.

RACES

Horse races fixed! Jockeys tipping off their friends! Where? Why Moscow. So says Pravda.

The Kremlin paper tells of the break up of a ring at the Moscow track.

The system worked - like this:- A gambling syndicate added a string of jockeys to its payroll. Informed them - who was to win each race. And made bets - accordingly. The take - twenty thousand rubles a day for the syndicate.

The system worked perfectly - until one jockey got confused. Lost - when he should have won. In the excitement it leaked, and that was the end of a neat example of private enterprise - in Moscow.

Fixed - horse races.