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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Would you call this a case of space high-jacking?

It all resulted today in release of pictures called by conservative scientists -- the "most sensational" ever taken of the moon; photos by Russia's Lunar Nine -- relayed by radio back to earth. Russian scientists who received them announced they would be shown "in due course."

However, "in due course" meant too much of a wait for scientists at Britain's Jodrell Bank Laboratory -- who had monitored those same signals. So they borrowed a wire photo machine from a local newspaper -- and presto! First pictures -- from the surface of the moon.

That surface -- a dusty, desolate terrain, with rocks and craters -- some as small as an average dinner plate. Proving -- say the British, that moon dust "is only a few

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inches thick" -- instead of ten or twelve feet -- as feared.

The pictures thus neatly eliminating a factor -- that heretofore has been considered a major obstacle, to a manned-landing on the moon.

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PRESIDENT

At the White House - the President today announced plans to fly to Hawaii late tomorrow, Along with Secretary of State ~~Dean~~ Rusk, - Defense Secretary ~~Robert~~ McNamara, and other members of the U S High Command, *and other Presidential advisors,* There to confer for three days - with Premier ^{Ky} Ky and Chief of State Thieu of South Viet Nam. Also, with Henry Cabot Lodge, U S Ambassador to Saigon, - and General William ~~C.~~ Westmoreland, American Commander in South East Asia.

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GRAIN FOLLOW PRESIDENT

On another front the President announced an additional allotment - of three million more tons of grain for hunger-stricken ^{south} India. The grain - "to be shipped as quickly as possible" - said the President. Including, two million tons of wheat - a million tons of maize.

CRASH

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The worst single airplane disaster in aviation history - today in Japan, as you may have heard by now. ~~was~~ An all-Nippon Boeing Seven Twenty Seven airliner - crashing into Tokyo Bay, Just four minutes from a landing - in perfect flying weather.

A hundred-and-twenty-six passengers aboard the plane - returning from a snow festival in northern Japan; Plus a crew of seven, - All lost for a total of a hundred and thirty three dead.

This the fourth fatal crash of a Boeing Seven Twenty Seven within the last six months, ~~what's~~ ^{and} ~~was~~ the fourth major air disaster ~~in~~ -- in the last month alone.

VIET NAM

American and allied forces in Viet Nam today pushed five major ground operations against the Communist Viet Cong. The combined offensive - a massive search - and destroy - mission, Supported by planes and warships where possible - deep in Communist held territory.

Although at last report - no major contact. The enemy - when seen at all - in hurried flight.

In the air - American warplanes ranging far and wide over the Communist north - for the fifth straight day, At a cost of two more of our aircraft - lost to intensified enemy ground fire, For a total loss of five American planes - since Monday.

GROSVENOR

In the town of Baddeck, Nova Scotia, death came today to Dr. Gilbert Grosvenor, world famous publisher, editor explorer, scientist, and philanthropist.

Dr. Grosvenor first and only employee of the National Geographic Magazine when it was founded in Eighteen Ninety Nine. Its guiding genius -- with the help of his wife, daughter of Alex. Graham Bell -- for more than fifty years. Chairman of the National Geographic Society since then.

It was Dr. Grosvenor who helped with the financing of Peary's first expedition to the North Pole. Who published the first eye-witness account of the adventures of men like Peary, Amundsen, and Byrd and so many others.

An insatiable traveller and explorer himself, he flew over the North Pole at the age of seventy-seven. Shortly before he had given up the editorship of The National Geographic, turning the reins over to his now famous son,

Melville Bell Grosvenor.

In semi-retirement the past few years, Dr. Gilbert Grosvenor -- ninety at his death.

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BEEBE

Lucius Beebe - elegant and outspoken

author, newspaper columnist, ~~and~~ celebrated gourmet *and*
authority on railway cars and locomotives. —
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TEXAS

A justice of the peace at Fredericksburg, Texas - today ruled murder and suicide in the case of two elderly brothers. The evidence indicating that E. F. Whitehead, sixty - five - had definitely killed his brother - Billy-Jack Whitehead, - sixty-seven, with a single shot from a thirty-thirty rifle - as Billy-Jack lay sleeping in his bed. The younger brother then killing himself - with the same weapon.

The shooting - culminating of a violent family quarrel, ^{all} That, began with an argument - over a game of dominoes.

SAFE

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From Clearmont, Missouri, a story today of bungling burglars - and a safe job that was pointless to begin with.

The safe - a two-hundred pound steel contraption stolen from an oil company in Clearmont - and carried more than a quarter of a mile, over two barbed wire fences, to a roadside ditch. Whereupon - it was blown open.

Inside - a batch of worthless business records - and one penny - which the burglars left behind. Final irony - ^{- Warren -} the safe was unlocked - all the time.

BUG

Proof at last that tax collectors have a heart or at least a conscience comes today from San Francisco. In the form of testimony by a former agent of the Internal Revenue Service - before a Senate sub-committee investigating the use of government wire-tapping devices.

For the most part - the former tax man refusing to answer - on the grounds of ~~possible~~ possible self-incrimination. At one point, however, he said he once turned off a listening device - in the apartment of a male suspect, when the suspect brought home - a "very entertaining" female guest.

Why so? Because - said the former tax man - "we were not interested in extra curricular activities".