

KENNEDY

L.T. - Olds. Fri. Jan 5 - '62.

President Kennedy is back in Washington - tonight,
~~The President~~ returning, to the White House - a day ~~is~~
earlier than he had intended. Reason - the upcoming session
of Congress. ^{The} President Kennedy, anxious to get his
legislative program moving - on Capitol Hill.

Tomorrow morning he'll confer with Congressman
Wilbur Mills - chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee.
The President, to hear from the Arkansas Democrat about the
chances for - such items as taxation, trade, and medical
care for the aged.

ARMY

There's no paradox about the Army cutting it's draft quota - while President Kennedy is ordering an Army buildup. The explanation - more volunteers signing up. So many men deciding to ~~join~~ join the ranks now - that fewer will have to be drafted. Only eight thousand in February - and six thousand in March. Contrasting with the figure for this month - Fifteen thousand draftees.

SPACE

President Kennedy is optimistic about - the race into space. The President, issuing a report - that we showed greater progress last year ~~in~~ than at any previous time.

~~Our~~ Scientists, making up ground on the Russians - who had that big head start. We're expecting to close the gap even more in the coming months - *when we get going on the* ~~our~~ astronaut program, ~~begins~~ ~~to move into high gear.~~

ROCKET

America's first rocket test of Nineteen Sixty Two - a complete success. An Air Force "minuteman" - blasting off from an underground launching pad at Cape Canaveral. Zooming up at top speed - behind the titanic ~~th~~rust of its solid fuel engines. Moving so fast - it was visible for less than two seconds, before it disappeared into the clouds.

The fifty-six foot missile, thundering down the Atlantic range - landing in the target area, some thirty-five hundred miles away. The flight, so successful - the Air Force expects to have it's "minuteman" operational within the next few weeks.

The relations ~~between~~ between Laos and the United States have reached what most observers consider, a rather fantastic stage. We and our Laotian allies - are engaged in what looks like a war of nerves.

Reason - pro-western Prince Boun Oum, refusing to continue negotiations for a coalition government, ~~Negotiations~~ ~~that~~ we want to see resumed as quickly as possible.

The impasse, producing today's declarations. Washington, hinting - that we may suspend our aid program for Laos. The ^{*}Vientiane, responding with a report - of Chinese Communist troops moving into Laos. Our State Department regards the rumor as designed - to force more ^{aid} ~~aid~~ out of Uncle Sam.

BERLIN

In Berlin, part of the wall - came down today.

The ramshackle structure, collapsing - when it was undermined by a warm spell, followed by severe cold. But no refugees - got ~~in~~ through the opening, ~~in the wall~~. Red border guards rushed up - with nine police dogs, ~~and~~ patrolled the area - until workmen repaired the breach?

On the West Berlin side of the wall - word of an incident that happened last Tuesday. A carload of Russians, driving through checkpoint Charley - without stopping. Obviously- trying to avoid showing their papers. American military police, running the car down - after a chase of six blocks. Forcing the Russians - to identify themselves.

WEATHER

Michigan tonight - a driver's nightmare. The state, almost paralyzed - by a slick film of ice. ~~The Sidewalks~~ - too slippery to walk on. Hundreds of minor traffic accidents - and a few major ones. Stalled and wrecked cars - littering ~~the Michigan highways. Near Jackson, one highway was closed for an hour - after a four-car chain reaction smashup. At Albion, another highway~~ ~~was~~ blocked by - a trailer-truck that jack-knifed on the treacherous ice. Near Zeeland, a truck loaded with seventy thousand gallons of gasoline - crashed off the road. This could have been the worst accident of all - except that the gasoline didn't explode.

Meanwhile, the Great Plains ~~are~~ are getting more than their share - of winter weather. Heavy snow, falling - from Kansas to Texas. Whipped into a blinding blizzard - by winds of sixty miles an hour. You can judge what the Panhandle is facing ^{with} ~~from the following case. In Chitticothe, Texas,~~ a police unit travelled four miles - in two hours.

PHONE

Now for - the "one in a million" phone call. The place, Linden, New Jersey. The caller - Mrs. Alice Blackwell, who is blind. When her husband suddenly became ill, she picked up the phone - and frantically dialed a number at random. Hoping to get - the police department.

She hit it - near enough. The random phone number picked up a panicky blind woman - was that of patrolman Philip Reed. All he had to do was call his headquarters - about the Blackwell emergency. The "one in a million" phone call.

FASHION

To no one's surprise, the world's best dressed woman in Nineteen Sixty One - was Jacqueline Kennedy. At least - that's the American verdict. The First Lady, receiving the accolade of high fashion - because of her stunning wardrobe. And the stunning way she wears it - whether touring the world with the President, or presiding over the White House. Jackie always chic - in an evening gown, or a riding habit. And when Paris cheered - that just about clinched the place that *hear* many women would give their diamond earrings to occupy.

Jacque - the best dressed woman in the world.

MURDER

Over in London - another macabre murder case.—

including
~~Ingredients in the case~~ a pagan Polynesian religious cult, a grotesque idol, and a victim stabbed to death under a full moon.

The cult is called - "Tiki". An ancient superstition - of the Pacific Islands. The devotees use mystic seashells in their ritual - and have cryptic signs tatoood on their arms.

The idol - a wooden image about eight inches high. It's face, twisted into - a hideous leering mask. Out in the remote islands, the "Tiki" worshippers - still burn incense before this idol. And offer it ritual victims - when the moon is full.

Incredible as it may seem "Tiki" is practiced in twentieth century London. Brought in by - students from Polynesia. And one of them is suspected - in the murder of Maureen Dutton. The dead woman ~~was~~ was an anthropolgist - engaged in a study of the "Tiki" religion. She was found

stabbed to death - according to "Tiki" ritual. The crime,
committed - when the moon was full.

So Scotland Yard is combing London - for the
devotees of an age old pagan idolatry. Sounds like a ~~xxx~~
case for - Sherlock Holmes.

CAMERA FOLLOW MURDER

But here's a London item that may give you a laugh. Here's the scene. Jonathan Routh, taking candid pictures - for a television show. Concealing his camera in a shop, then posing as a clerk - so he could get an amusing reaction from one customer. Unfortunately - the customer spotted the camera. More unfortunately - he resented it. Most unfortunately - he was six feet two, and a professional boxer. One punch - and brother Jonathan disappeared over the counter. A second hay maker - Dick - and his script writer landed on top of him.

Are you laughing? Ma ha ha!

COACH

Football fans throughout America - certainly in

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Louisiana - anticipated today's announcement at Baton

The surprising in Nepal follows a long period of
Rouge - L S U. Coach Paul Dietzel, released from his
political arrest. For generations, the great team
contract with the Bayou Tigers - to become head coach
family virtually ruled Nepal - with the king & prince
at West Point. Which will be something of a homecoming

prisoner. The present monarch, King ...
for Dietzel - who was an Assistant to the legendary
whose Coronation we took our ...
Earl Blaik when L S U tapped him to lead their team.

Now returning to West Point, Dietzel of course

Kanis. He ruled autocratically for a while. ...
will put first things first? And what's first at West
fruitless experiment with democracy - ...
Point. Why - beat Navy.

Naturally young ...

antagonism. The old ...
new partisans of democracy - ...

Besides, Red China has been ...
of Nepalese politics.

Now, apparently ...

from Kathmandu, indicating ...