

L.T. OLDS \_\_\_\_\_ FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 1963

Good Evening Everybody:

In New Delhi, a government spokesman said today - "This is the old communist gambit".

"I steal your watch, then I offer to compromise - by giving you back your watchfob, and I become indignant - when you refuse".

Meaning - that Peeking declaration about the Himalayan battleline. Mao Tse-Tung, pulling his troops back - from their advanced positions, but keeping them - still on Indian soil. Which, says the boss of Red China - is a great concession. Adding that he'll send them deeper into India, if the Indian army moves forward.

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Yesterday, the Secretary of Defense told newsmen - that we would not tolerate another Budapest in Havana. But the head of these C.I.A. told Senate investigators - there's not much chance of a rising against Fidel Castro. John McCone, pessimistic - because the bearded dictator runs a ferocious police state. Castro has guns to cut down would-be rebels, And he likes to use - those guns.

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What about subversion - in Latin America? McCone ~~said~~ that Castro is working under cover - to topple democratic regimes, But <sup>is</sup> not having - much success. Democracy, too strong for Communism - so far, anyway.

IDEOLOGY

~~I wonder~~ <sup>Who would you say</sup> who ~~in the world~~ fits the following description - "an opulent and lordly philanthropist." You may have a number of candidates - in mind. But the Chinese Reds have just one - Nikita Khrushchev.

Radio Peking, referring to - Khrushchev's support for non-communist "wars of Liberation." Mao's mouthpiece, asking why Soviet side goes to neutrals - instead of to members of the Red bloc. Castigating Khrushchev for betraying marxism - so he can cut a figure on the world scene. The boss of the Kremlin - "an opulent and lordly philanthropist."

~~What's wrong~~ <sup>Just</sup> with Khrushchev? ~~He~~ doesn't understand Lenin, <sup>says</sup> ~~according to~~ radio Peking. Peaceful co-existence, a contradiction of the Leninist principle - that Communism cannot win without war.



## DISARMAMENT

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There's less pessimism in Geneva tonight -  
than you might think. After all, the Western  
delegates to the disarmament conference - knew that  
their Soviet opposite numbers might not negotiate in  
good faith. The Russians have always stymied every  
attempt to work out - a test ban treaty. So there  
couldn't have been much surprise <sup>at the present</sup> ~~just this~~ failure.

The sinister thing about Tsarapkin's conduct at Geneva  
- is that <sup>some observers believe</sup> he may have destroyed the last chance for an  
agreement to stop touching off nuclear bombs.

## CONGO

In the Congo - the chief problem today is inflation. Currency, falling - in value; cost of living - on the up-grade; just as in London, Paris and Washington. The difference being - that the West can to some extent control inflation. The fear in Leopoldville is - that inflation may throw the Congo into a new panic.

That's why the American report issued today - calls for immediate financial reforms. A program of - save the Congolese franc.

## ATOMIC

The decision of the New York Post is curious  
The French Atomic Bomb will be - a hybrid. A  
cross between an ordinary atomic bomb - and a hydrogen  
bomb. Fusion instead of Fission. DeGaulle ordering his  
scientists to produce - something more powerful than  
ordinary nuclear devices, but not quite so expensive -  
as the ultimate weapon.

Date of the first French tests of this bomb - June  
of next year. Place - the Gambler Islands in the  
Pacific, a thousand miles from Tahiti.

## STRIKE

The decision of the New York Post to resume publication on Monday - is causing both optimism and pessimism. Optimism - in the typographers union; *a* ~~The~~ feeling that the solid front of the publishers - is beginning to crack. A settlement in sight - maybe.

The publishers - pessimistic. Vowing to stick it out - despite the <sup>owner-publisher</sup> action of Dorothy Schiff. But admitting that their position was not as strong as it was - before the publisher of the Post broke ranks.

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How can the Post go alone - without meeting the unions demands? Because the Post - was never struck. In fact, five of the New York papers - could have been published during the past three months. They simply decided to act first - instead of waiting for a walkout.

Dorothy Schiff - now changing her mind. Her former colleagues in the Publishers Union, warning her - that the day of reckoning will come. The day when the typographers demand a contract - that the Post *can't afford.*



## WEATHER

The weather report north of the Mason-Dixon Line - "heavy snow, hazardous driving." Snow for the northeast and midwest. Many accidents reported. Chain reaction crack-ups involving as many as a dozen cars.

Hardest hit by snow - Shelbyville, Indiana, with eight inches, and still falling.



## CARS

The figures on the stolen-car industry last year - three hundred and fifty thousand cars. Worth - two hundred and ninety million dollars. Quite - an industry.

What's the secret of success - in stolen-cars? The stupidity of honest men - says J. Edgar Hoover. The head of the F.B.I., pointing to negligence - on the part of car owners. Keys  $\pi$  in the ignition. Windows  $\pi$  unlocked. Cars left for days  $\pi$  in back alleys and side streets.

~~If that's how you treat your car - don't be surprised if it isn't yours much longer.~~

## VOLCANO

Mention Bali and it usually brings a vision of a romantic island, in the far South Pacific. Tropical palms, Buddhist temples, Balinese dancing girls - and so on.

But a dispatch from Singapore - refers to something else. Bali's volcano - has come to life. ~~Gunung~~ Gunung Agung, erupting - with a terrific explosion. Blowing its top - sending smoke and ashes towering into the sky. Rivers of molten lava - pouring out of the crater.

The sky over that island paradise completely darkened. Bali, not quite so romantic - tonight.

## SCOTCH

The cold war between Britain and France - has become critical in Paris. At least in the Elysee Palace where the President of France lives. The DeGaulles are no longer serving - Scotch. Scotlands gift to the gay life. Disappearing on the banks of the Seine - since DeGaulle vetoed British membership in the common market.

So Dick, they are drinking - Cognac - and water tonight - at the Elysee Palace on the Champ Elysee.