

DEBT

L.T. - Olds, Fisher. Thurs. June 18 - '64.

*The House says that Uncle Sam can go into debt to the tune of - three hundred and twenty four billion dollars. In other words - that's the new ceiling of the national debt. If - the Senate goes along.*

*An increase - of nine billion dollars. Which opponents of the measure are terming - "the greatest debt in the history of mankind."*

SCRANTON

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Governor Bill Scranton paused for a brief  
moment today - in his barnstorming campaign for the  
G O P nomination. Dropping in at his executive mansion -  
at  
the Indiantown Gap Near Harrisburg, Penn sylvania.

To catch up with - urgent state administrative chores.

And - confer with his aides.

Governor Scranton says his ~~xxxx~~ campaign is  
"ripening and coming along beautifully." And he will  
be on the move - almost continuously. From now till  
the G O P convention opens - in San Francisco on  
July the Tenth.

GOLDWATER

Senator Goldwater is going to vote against --  
the Civil Rights bill, reluctantly, he ~~is~~ says --  
because he had hoped to vote "yea" on this measure,  
which he would support -- whole heartedly if it weren't  
for -- the public accommodations and fair-employment  
~~sections~~ sections.

About that Goldwater-Eisenhower meeting --  
we don't know anything, ~~about it~~. The Arizona  
Conservative and General Ike both mum about <sup>it.</sup> ~~that.~~

ST. AUGUSTINE

*The Civil Rights demonstrations in St.*

*Augustine, Florida - wilder than ever. Over thirty singing and praying demonstrators (including a group of Rabbis) - hauled off to jail. After being refused admittance - at a segregated hotel. Also arrested - five negroes and two whites who arrived in bathing suits - and jumped into the motel's swimming pool. Refusing to get out - ~~still~~ till chased by police. According to some reports, the county jail is now too full to hold all the arrested demonstrators. Who may have to be - confined in a stockade. A tense situation - in St. Augustine tonight.*



## VIET NAM

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General Paul Harkins, U.S. Military Commander in South Viet Nam for over two years, believes things are looking up - in that war-torn land.

General Harkins, who is due to retire, held a farewell news conference - in Saigon. Telling newsmen ~~that the two changes in Vietnamese government, within months of each other had set back the war effort by about nine months. But that the trend - is now reversed.~~ The General ~~stressing government achievements, in the three years since the war against the Communists - entered its critical phase. The situation is not less serious he said, but~~ the tide has turned.

Meanwhile new reports of government successes - were reaching the city. ~~Government forces succeeding in disposing~~<sup>π</sup>~~rebel concentrations - in the Ben Luc area southwest of Saigon. Which has long been - a trouble spot. Twenty nine Viet Cong guerrillas killed - many fleeing~~

## TIBET

Here's a follow up to a story we had - from Tibet. The story of that battle - on the desolate Chang Tang Plateau. A Red Chinese punitive expedition ambushed by - the Tibetan rebels. The battle, so fierce - that the Red commander had to S O S - Lhasa for reinforcements.

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wall, The end of the story is this - according to refugees who have reached Kashmir! - The invaders of Tibet - broke through the ambush, And reached - the top of the Chang Tang. But they didn't fan out across the plateau, looking for rebels - as they were supposed to. There were plenty of rebels - in the vicinity, And these <sup>h</sup> ~~they~~ harassed the Chinese so tenaciously - especially with night time attacks - that the commander of the expedition decided ~~that~~ there was only one thing to do. He formed his men - into a column, ~~then~~ ordered them to drop - their excess equipment, And led them northward - on a forced march. →

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→ A march - to the Chinese province of Sinkiang.

It's just too hot for Mao Tse Tung's men - the Chang  
Tang plateau of Tibet.



## SAVANNAH

*"The safest ship in the world" - is what her captain calls her. The N.S. Savannah, America's and the world's first nuclear powered merchant ship - has just sailed into harbor in Bremerhaven, Germany. After a maiden trans-Atlantic voyage from New York - powered by its atomic reactor. Captain David McMichael, the crew and passengers - all delighted with the Savannah.*

*A traditional greeting from whistling tug boats - and water spouting fireboats and a crowd of three thousand lining the piers. Among those present - Nobel Prize winner Dr. Otto Hahn, Who split the atom - in the Nineteen Thirties, And whose name will be on the prow - of the world's second nuclear merchant vessel. The hull of which has just laid ~~at~~ Kiel - nearby.*



## **SNOW**

South Africans are being treated to a rare experience. Rare for them - that is. The heaviest snowfall of the century - in those parts. Usually snow falls there only once - in five years. But today from Cape Province in the South East to the lonely Namib Desert in South Western Africa - snow covers the land. Railway points frozen, trains trapped, traffic at a standstill, ~~snow~~ snowdrifts blocking roads, airports closed, telephone lines down. Farmers suffering heavy losses <sup>with their</sup> in stock.

But - the children of Johannesburg and Cape Town are having themselves a great time - with snowballs. Which most of them ~~ex~~ have never seen before. Snow so rare that schools have closed - to let the children play in it.

Even adults, whites and Africans, forgetting the country's color bar - pelting each other with snowballs. And having fun.

## BIGAMIST

*In Stockholm, Gunnar Jensen managed to accumulate - two wives. Two - families. Helga in the center - of the Swedish capital. Irene - in the suburbs. And he divided his time between them - for eight years.*

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*Now, what happens when two wives turn up in ~~the~~ the office of their joint husband -- at the same time? In the case of Gunnar Jensen of Stockholm - nothing. Last March, Helga and Irene dropped in unexpectedly - without learning about one another. Gunnar had his secretary show them into his office - one at a time. And he escorted each of his wives - out the back door.*

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*So - what's the story tonight? ~~Just~~ The careful bigamist - became careless. Just once - but that was enough. During a night out with the boys - he decided that he'd better let his wife know he'd <sup>d</sup>~~R~~ be late. The wife - who was ~~sps~~ expecting him. Her name - Helga.*

*You can guess - the rest. Gunnar had downed -  
too many beers. Thought he had Irene - on the phone.  
And Helga got the whole story - out of him.*

*The two ladies arrived in court today - for  
the trial. And were annoyed to recognize one another.  
They remembered sitting together on the sofa - in  
their husband's office only three months ago. Said Irene  
grimly - "if only we had known it at the time!" Said  
Helga - "I'd like to be the judge in this case!" <sup>Then Dick -</sup> Said  
Gunnar Jensen in Stockholm; - "Your Honor, I'd like to  
go to jail. I don't feel safe here."*



## AGE UNLIMITED

"Age unlimited" - is the name of a Balsa and aluminum raft which sailed across the Pacific last November - from Peru to Samoa - in a hundred and twenty eight days. The raft manned by Bill Willis, a seventy-year old sailor - and his two cats. <sup>Now he's heading</sup> ~~Now~~ <sup>for</sup> ~~story~~ Australia. Object of the voyage - to prove that age doesn't matter; When it comes to - ~~sketch~~ skill and daring.

Bill Willis held in Samoa - only by hurricanes and fifty foot waves. Persuaded by friends - to let the weather settle a bit. ~~Before he went on~~. Now setting out - on the last lap. This time - quite alone. The cats left behind. ~~Now~~ His link with the rest of the world - a radio transmitter and receiver.

~~Let's now all wish good luck to that intrepid~~

Here's to  
Mariner Bill Willis, And his good ship "Age Unlimited".