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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Dou you remember the ice island in my North Pole TV High Adventure show a year ago? Sitting there on that floating mass of pack ice - that's all it was, I said it might break up at any time and drop the scientists into the Polar Sea. That was when with Sir Hubert Wilkens, Admiral Donald Macmillan and Bernt Balchen, I made a rather thrilling journey out into the Arctic Ocean.

Well, tonight up there in the Arctic Ocean, half of that ice island is drifting - with twenty-one men marooned aboard. These are the IGY scientists and Air Force people on Station A - about a thousand miles out from Point Barrow, Alaska. On Sunday, a violent storm swept in out of the Arctic Ocean - breaking the ice island in half. And its ice from only seven to fifteen feet thick. Tonight they're still drifting. They haven't been rescued.

The latest from Alaska is that they are not in any immediate danger. Maybe. Their piece of the ice island - what is left of it - is about a thousand feet square - large enough, if it doesn't break up some more. When the storm dies down a plane will pick them up. In the meantime I can just see them sitting there, wondering is this it? Will their fragment break up into smaller bits and drop them into the Arctic Ocean.

IRAQ

Iraq definitely will not join - Nasser's United Arab Republic. So says Premier Kassem. The Premier, speaking to the ~~iraqi~~ Iraqi people over the Baghdad Radio, only forty-eight hours after the arrest of former Deputy Premier, Colonel Aref. The Colonel, accused of plotting against the security of the state. Meaning - he's suspected of acting for Nasser - in Iraq.

Premier Kassem seems to have most of the country behind him. Baghdad newspapers, solidly supporting his declaration of independence. Students, roaming through the streets - waving portraits of Kassem, and chanting patriotic slogans. Many students ought to be grateful to the Premier - because he's letting them pass on to higher grades in universities - even though they failed their examinations.

The Premier ~~Kassem~~ explaining ^{that how could} the students ~~couldn't~~ concentrate on their studies - when Iraq was in a turmoil?

GALILEE

An artillery battle - near ~~the~~ ^{the shores of the Sea of} Galilee. Israeli police

and soldiers of the United Arab Republic - firing at one another, with artillery, mortars and tanks. The battle, lasting four hours.

When U.N. observers rushed into the area - and called for a cease-fire, ~~after which~~ both sides stopped shooting - and began blaming one another, for starting the battle.

CYPRUS

One more
~~Another~~

outburst of terrorism - on ~~CYPRUS~~ Cyprus. In the city of Limassol - gunmen shot down a bank manager - as he stepped from his car. ~~He was~~ The ninth British civilian to be killed - since the new wave of underground attacks began last month.

Also, In Famagusta, a band of armed men - destroyed six British vehicles. They stopped ~~the~~ trucks on the highway - poured gasoline over them, and set them afire.

CUBA

The Cuban government is asking Washington - to tighten
~~up its regulations~~ ^{up} at American airports. The reason - to
prevent Castro's rebels, from hijacking airliners. The request
pointed up by that missing plane - with twenty-nine aboard.
It was flying from Havana to Santiago - when it disappeared.
Havana ~~is afraid that~~ ^{believes} the rebels forced it to land. And the
fear is - that other planes will be hijacked - en route to
Cuba from New York and Miami.

CHURCHILL

In Paris, a simple ceremony - amid echoes of history.

Two names, telling the story - Churchill and DeGaulle. The

British Prime Minister and the leader of the Free French -

In fact they didn't hit it at all, they
often clashed during World War Two. They hadn't met since the
collapse of Hitler's Reich.

So it was a ~~momentous~~ *quite an* occasion today - when DeGaulle
pinned one of France's highest decorations on Sir Winston. The

Cross of Companion of the Liberation. DeGaulle, declaring,

"France knows what it owes to him." Churchill, brushing away a

tear, thanking France for the medal - referring to DeGaulle as

"my old friend and comrade."

*They both have mellowed. Two of
the titans of our time.*

POPE

Today's news conference at the Vatican - was a relaxed and jovial meeting between the head of the Catholic Church - and a crowd of newsmen, half of them Catholics, half Protestants. The new Pope speaking in French - with an Italian accent. So much so they could hardly understand him. Urging his audience - to write the truth, he pointed out that there are occasions when inquisitiveness is not a virtue. The Pontiff, causing the newsmen to chuckle - by referring to the conclave that elected him. Said the jovial John the Twenty-third:- "The journalistic effort was admirable - but silence would have been even better." But he seemed to say it with tongue in cheek.

MOON

Tonight the Air Force is ready for its third attempt - to fire a rocket to the moon. If this one fails - the Army will take over.

So, what are the chances for success - if the Air Force does launch Pioneer Two from Cape Canaveral - early tomorrow morning? The scientists say - ten-to-one against reaching the moon. Twenty-five to one - against orbiting around the moon.

But if all goes well - we should be getting pictures soon. Pictures of the dark side of the moon - the side of our satellite, never seen by man. Everyone at Cape Canaveral is waiting tensely. Among the ~~visitors~~ visitors on hand - Queen Frederika of Greece - who makes science one of her hobbies.

Tomorrow, when I return home from the South Seas, remind me to find out why we continue to announce our satellite experiments before they come off? All around the world this has people puzzled.

GUY FAWKES

The big story from London tonight - can be summed up in an old nursery rhyme.

A verse, referring to Guy Fawkes - who tried to blow up the Houses of Parliament back in Sixteen Five. I'll give you the rhyme in a moment. Ever since, the British have been calling November Fifth - Guy Fawkes Night. Commemorating it - with bonfires and fireworks.

But this was the wildest Guy Fawkes Night - on record. London, full of street fighting - all night long. In Trafalgar Square, a crowd of five thousand surged back and forth - and then started a mass riot. A special force of Bobbies rushed to Trafalgar Square - to be met with firecrackers, fists, sticks, and stones. Dawn was breaking - before they could restore order. The toll - hundreds injured, a hundred or more arrested.

Meanwhile in Paddington, one crowd set a big bonfire. Then, they closed ranks around it - and tried to push the police away. Before that bonfire was put out -

dozens of rioters had to be hustled away in paddy wagons. Even the swank Savoy Hotel on The Strand had a free-for-all in its ballroom.

During the night, emergency calls swamped police switchboards, and today, a heavy smog from fires and explosives continued to hang over London.

Remember, remember the Fifth of November
Gunpowder, treason, and plot.

I see no reason why gunpowder and treason
Should - ever - be - forgot.

This celebration of Guy Fawkes Night, Don, is one
Londoners will remember - at least until the next one.

MIKOYAN

That Moscow speech by Mikoyan adds up to - a combination of propaganda, and confessions that all is not

perfect in the workers' paradise. ^{But then that's nothing new,} The propaganda? an attack

on the West for what Mikoyan calls "imperialism" in the Middle

East and the Far East. ^{Same old refrain,} The Soviet politician ^{saying that} ~~declaring~~

America would have started a war in ~~the~~ Formosa Strait - except

for Moscow's support of Red China. In Mikoyan's words - "This

acted like a bucket of cold water."

Then ~~he~~ went on to an admission - of Soviet

shortcomings. Speaking of things like - drunkenness. Also,

juvenile delinquency.